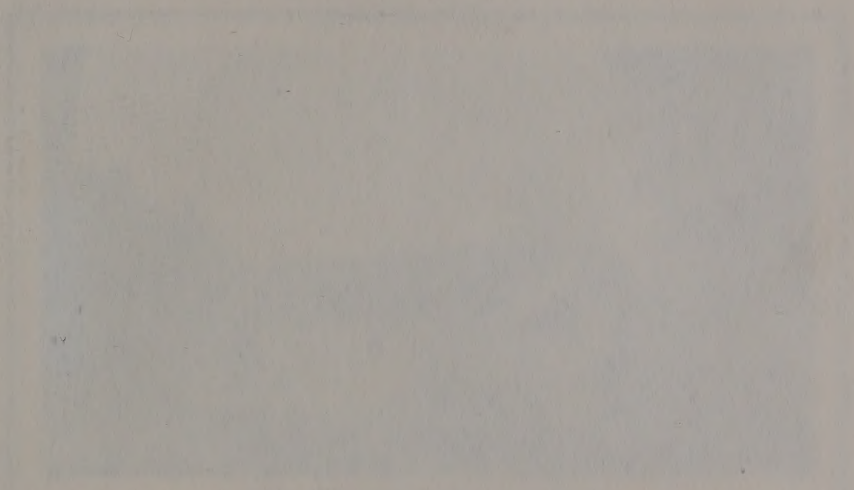
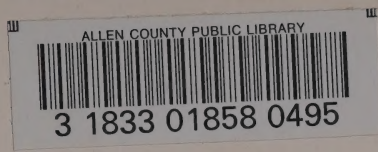


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TOWN of STRONG



CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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The Church of the Nazarene dedicated its new home in Strong on October 14, 1956. The modern structure stands as a monument to a small group of truly dedicated men and women.

United in a common purpose, and determined to meet and solve the stern challenge presented by such an undertaking, they never hesitated in their progress to that historic October day with its hour of well deserved triumph.

Today, in a debt free home, with the strength that comes through energetic leadership and an alert membership, the future holds promise of rewarding success. In the winning of that success all in this area will rejoice.

From the Inaugural Address

of

John F. Kennedy

President of the United States

"Ask not what your Country will do for you, but ask what you can do for your Country."

"If free society cannot help the many who are poor, it can never save the few who are rich."

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
STRONG, MAINE

FOR THE FISCAL

Year Ending February 1, 1961

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please
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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor

F. A. RICHARDSON

ELMER D. BRACKLEY

ROBERT S. WORTHLEY

Town Clerk

RAYMOND D. NORRIS

Treasurer

DEANE STOCKTON STEVENS

Tax Collector

MARVIN A. TIMBERLAKE

Superintendent of Schools

MERTON SMITH

School Committee

ERNEST SMITH

VIRGIL LAMBERT

ROBERT S. WORTHLEY

Health Officer — School Physician

D. W. MARSTERS, M. D.

Fire Chief

GRANGIE MARDEN

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ROY HAINES

Dir. Public Safety

WINSTON BEAL

Constables

GLENDON BRACKLEY

MARVIN A. TIMBERLAKE

Truant Officer

GLENDON BRACKLEY

TOWN WARRANT

County of Franklin, SS.

To Glendon Brackley, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine. **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said Town, on Saturday, the fourth day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To consider reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to continue the existing administrative system during the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Road Commissioner.

Art. 6. To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year, or authorize the Selectmen to fill minor offices by appointment.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Salaries, Fuel, Janitor Service and Supplies, Transportation, Textbooks, Reference Books, Electric Lights and Power, Supplies for desk and Laboratory use, Driver Training, School Physician and cost of Administration, including Salary of Superintendent of Schools, and compensation of the Superintending School Committee, for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of Tax payments.

Art. 10. To see when the Taxes shall be made payable and collected.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the Collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all Real and Personal Property Taxes paid on or before June 1, 1961, or within 15 days of the date of commitment in the event Legislative delay should make the June 1 deadline impractical, and charge interest at 4% from October 1, 1961 on all Real and Personal Property Taxes remaining unpaid on December 15, 1961.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Discounts and Interest for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.) to be applied on the Fire Truck Note, so called, held by the First National Bank of Farmington.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of two hundred sixty six dollars and forty cents (\$266.40) for snow removal on State Highway #4 as provided under the Revised Statutes of 1954.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of ten hundred sixty six dollars (\$1066.) for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for plowing and sanding Winter Roads for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.) from Excise Funds to be expended on the Nutting, or Pond Road, so called.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600.) from Excise Funds for purchase and application of Tarvia or Asphalt.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand three hundred seventy two dollars and sixty cents (\$1372.60) from Excise Funds to complete payment on Ford F 600 Note.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand nine hundred seventy dollars and no cents (\$1970.) from Excise Funds to complete payment on the Cat. Grader Note held by the Rangeley Trust Co.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.) for Equipment, this sum to supplement earnings under that account.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600.) for operation and maintenance of Public Works Garage.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Civilian Defense and Public Safety for the ensuing year.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Police Services for the ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Town Dump for the ensuing year, said sum to include cost incident to the closing of the present site on Route #4.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Support of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Veterans Aid for the ensuing year.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Aid to Dependent Children for the ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of seventy five dollars (\$75.) for Public Health Nursing in Strong, this sum to be expended by the Maine Dept. of Health and Welfare for local service.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay cost of supplies and services incident to the Public Health Program.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the purchase of Books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 39. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 40. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Maintenance of Cemeteries for the ensuing year.

Art. 42. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Maintenance of Sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Art. 43. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 44. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to complete the grading of the School Playground during the ensuing year.

Art. 45. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for School Lunch Program for the ensuing year.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.) for the purchase of another deep freeze for the Strong School Lunch Program.

Art. 47. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay the Town's share of the cost of Social Security for the ensuing year.

Art. 48. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the protection of its employees under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Art. 49. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for prevention and control of Dutch Elm Disease for the ensuing year.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 91, Section 108, of the Revised Statutes of 1954.

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of four hundred eighty six dollars and eighty seven cents (\$486.87) to meet the following overdrafts: School Playground, \$190.30; Town Garage, \$135.60; Social Security, \$93.26; Workmen's Compensation, \$67.71.

Art. 52. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such properties and the Town's interest in Tax Liens whether completely foreclosed or not, this authorization to include any Real Estate acquired by the Town through the same process during prior fiscal years.

Art. 53. To see if the Town will vote to accept one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.) from the Estate of Irving Pottle and create the Irving W. Pottle Cemetery Trust Fund, and one hundred dollars (\$100.) from Marguerite Sample and create the Fred W. Taylor Cemetery Trust Fund.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Forster Memorial Building for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 10, 1961.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ELMER D. BRACKLEY,
ROBERT S. WORTHLEY,

Selectmen of Strong

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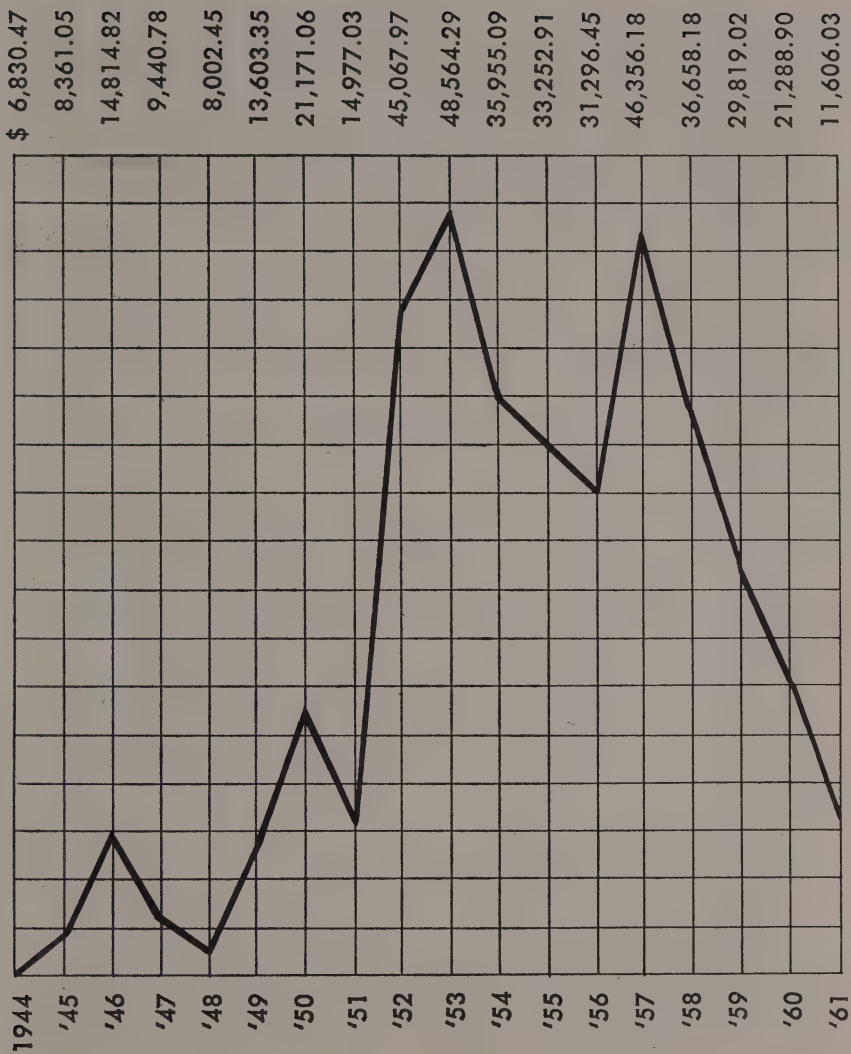


Chart Showing
Deferred Appropriations or Town Debt
1944 – 1961

The average business man finds it necessary to take account of stock at regular intervals (annually in most cases) in order to determine what, if any progress has been made.

Municipal officials, charged by law with specific duties, and in the average town expected not only to evaluate community problems, but also to develop sound fiscal programs which will lead to their solution, need the benefit of similar stock taking.

It is evident that such a survey has a definite value for the citizen who has a concern for the buying power of his local tax dollar, even though he may be numbered among the vast majority who fail to attend or participate in the annual meetings where policy decisions are approved.

In the case of private business, where the main purpose of the annual check is to measure financial progress, the yearly period is adequate.

On the other hand, in trying to measure Municipal progress, or in fact to clearly establish the existence of a trend, we need to consider a longer period of time. This is so because of the diversified interests involved, the wide scope of services required, and the abrupt policy changes possible in annual meetings or made in response to emergency conditions.

We have chosen the 1944 - 1961 period because the present Board of Selectmen has been identified with local administration during these years and responsible to a degree for its moving off dead center and assuming what may prove to have been a new sense of direction and purpose.

In the years prior to 1945 we had annually marked a program of public services, and rigidly limited the scope of each, through appropriations which finally proved, in some fields, to be inadequate to meet the vastly changed conditions.

At the same time we refused to initiate any steps which would call for financing a long overdue program of capital improvements, involving mainly highway and bridge reconstruction, new fire equipment, and public works equipment with storage facilities. Under those conditions, elected public officials could do little more than mark time, in what was actually a holding operation.

The first major capital outlay came in 1945 for the purchase of a truck with plows. It was followed in 1946 with the Grange Street Bridges, and the Valley Road — Lisherness Bridge projects featured

1948. From that time the program assumed a stepped up pace as shown by the table below.

In the table (Col. 1) we list the years, while in column 2 we list the main project featuring each year. In Col. 3 we show the app. cost of the capital outlay and in Col. 4 the annual appropriation for debt reductions, together with special or regular funds to apply on specific projects.

1	2	3	4
1945	Tractor Repairs — Truck and Plow	\$ 6,580 89	\$ 1,000 00
1946	Grange St. Bridges	3,889 60	2,376 30
1947			1,000 00
1948	Valley Road — Lisherness Bridge	4,961 00	1,360 00
1949	S. A. Road Const. (South Strong)	13,603 35	2,000 00
1950			5,198 00
1951	S. A. Road Const. (South Strong)	23,288 94	5,198 00
1952	Sprinkler System (School House)		
	Starbird Bridge	12,000 00	6,698 00
1953	S. A. Re-construction (Norton Hill)	10,194 32	10,109 00
1954	Truck and Plow (Burned in 1958)	8,473 02	11,175 00
1955	Town Garage	5,000 00	6,656 46
1956	Cat. Grader — Fire Truck —		
	Town Garage	21,757 73	9,698 00
1957	International Tractor	2,554 98	9,698 00
1958	Truck and Hyd. Equip. (Replacement)		9,698 00
1959	Ford F600 Reg. Dr.	2,722 60	10,948 86
1960			9,658 57

Column 3 does not represent the entire expenditures under the program because direct appropriations were made in some cases from both regular and Excise Funds, while insurance coverage on '54 truck was applied in the 1958 purchase. Col. 3, therefore, represents only that portion of the cost of specific projects, treated at the time as deferred appropriations, and later covered through the issuance of notes.

During these years, while this program was being formulated and carried forward, we have through the allocation of local funds supplemented by T.R.I.F., reconstructed the Lambert Hill Road (now S.A. #4), the West Freeman Road (now S.A. #5), the Spaulding Road,

Pillsbury Road, True Hill, Burbank Hill, Church Hill, High St., Nutting (to West Shore Drive), and applied gravel the length of Chandler as a temporary measure.

It will be noted that during the first six years, while we made small annual appropriations to apply on Town Debt, actually we failed to adjust our debt retirement program to the stepped up capital outlay.

In 1951 we started applying the joint S.A. Fund of \$3198. together with the Debt Approp., and in 1952 we increased the latter to \$3500. and have maintained that figure to the present time.

In 1957 we included for the first time the annual payment of \$1000. on the Fire Truck Loan, and \$2000. to apply on the Cat. Grader Loan. As the Town moved steadily to retire the debt, its equity in these investments has increased, and its financial position has become stronger.

In business, as well as in government at all levels, it has long been an accepted principle to finance capital improvements through long term indebtedness with payments extending over a period of years representing the normal life of useful service of the structure, equipment or highway.

The Town of Strong, paying no attention to the long term payment formula, which has a powerful attraction for many, both in and out of government, has in about 10 years reduced its debt structure, to the point where we can now project our plans, beyond the day when the final note is paid.

ITEM 1

BUDGET

Art.	Account	'60 Balance	Suggested	Excise	Total
7	Schools	\$1,970 83	See below		
8	Charges	273 38	\$1,400 00		\$1,673 38
11	Col. of Taxes	20 58	1,050 00		1,070 58
13	Discounts and Interest	514 63	1,100 00		1,614 63
14	Town Debt	24 30	3,275 70		3,300 00
15	Fire Truck Loan		1,000 00		1,000 00
16	State Highway		266 40		266 40
17	S. A. Construction	538 11	1,066 00		1,604 11
18	Roads and Bridges		3,750 00	\$1,000 00	4,750 00
19	Winter Roads		6,000 00		6,000 00
20	Nutting Road			2,000 00	2,000 00

Art.	Account	'60 Balance	Suggested	Excise	Total
21	Tarvia - Asphalt	649 60		600 00	1,249 60
22	Ford F 600			1,372 60	1,372 60
23	Cat. Grader			1,970 00	1,970 00
24	Equipment	357 66	1,000 00		1,357 66
25	Garage		600 00		600 00
26	Hydrants		579 60		579 60
27	Street Lights		843 96		843 96
28	Fire Department	98 33	1,600 00		1,698 33
29	Civ. Def. and Pub. S.	246 52			246 52
30	Police	40 06	50 00		90 06
31	Town Dump	26 98	600 00		626 98
32	Town Poor	562 07			562 07
33	Veterans Aid	162 56	500 00		662 56
34	A. D. C.	86 19	1,000 00		1,086 19
35	P. H. Nurse	75 00			75 00
36	P. H. Program	60 63	150 00		210 63
37	Town Officers	147 89	5,300 00		5,447 89
38	Library		350 00		350 00
39	Insurance		100 00		100 00
40	Memorial	50 00			50 00
41	Cemeteries		600 00		600 00
42	Sidewalks		300 00		300 00
43	Abatements	89 47	50 00		139 47
44	Playground		300 00		300 00
45	School Lunch	181 40	318 60		500 00
46	Deep Freeze	School Dept. Request			300 00
47	Social Security		700 00		700 00
48	Workmen's Comp.		425 00		425 00
49	Dutch Elm	50 00	50 00		100 00
50	Maine Publicity		50 00		50 00

STRONG BUDGET

	1960-61 Budget	Expenditures	Suggested Budget 1961-1962
Teachers, H. S.	\$24,100 00	\$23,264 11	\$24,475 00
Teachers, Elem.	34,290 00	32,713 76	34,050 00
Fuel	3,200 00	3,744 40	3,200 00
Janitor and Jan. Supplies	4,400 00	4,853 58	4,400 00
Conveyance	5,500 00	5,426 92	6,000 00
Textbooks	1,600 00	1,595 37	1,600 00
Supplies	1,800 00	2,477 56	1,800 00
Industrial Arts	950 00		950 00
Utilities	1,200 00	1,206 13	1,200 00
Superintendent	2,085 00	2,083 19	2,142 00
Mrs. Wing		1,118 07	1,149 00
School Physician	200 00	200 00	200 00
School Committee	75 00	75 00	75 00
Insurance	952 00	911 77	
Music Supervisor			1,500 00
Driver Education	200 00		200 00
	<hr/> \$80,552 00	<hr/> \$79,669 86	<hr/> \$82,941 00

Estimated Resources

Unexpended Balance	\$ 1,970 83
State Subsidy	29,103 00
M & S Fund	25 00
Tuition, Avon	2,200 00
Tuition, State	6,000 00
Tuition, Eustis	343 00
Tuition, New Vineyard	343 00

 \$39,984 83
REQUESTED APPROPRIATION

 \$42,956 17

REQUESTED APPROPRIATION FOR
SCHOOL LUNCH

\$ 318 60

ITEM 2

Assessors' Department

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENTS

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	\$743,050 00	\$189,065 00	\$ 932,115 00
Non-Resident	79,320 00	7,400 00	86,720 00
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	\$822,370 00	\$196,465 00	\$1,018,835 00

App. and Raised 3/5/60

Schools	\$33,459 00
Charges	1,400 00
Coll. of Taxes	1,000 00
Dis. and Int.	1,600 00
Debt	3,500 00
Fire Truck Loan	1,000 00
Hyd. Equip. Loan	1,304 98
Roads and Bridges	3,750 00
Winter Roads	6,000 00
State Highway	266 80
S. A. Construction	1,066 00
Overdrafts	514 07
Equipment	1,000 00
Garage	875 00
Hydrants	579 60
Lights	843 96
Fire Dept.	1,650 00
Dump	400 00
Town Poor	200 00
Veterans Aid	300 00
A. D. C.	600 00
P. H. Nurse	75 00
P. H. Program	250 00
Town Officers	5,300 00
Library	350 00

Insurance	\$150 00
Memorial	50 00
Cemeteries	600 00
Sidewalks	200 00
Abatements	50 00
Playground	200 00
School Lunch	310 47
Social Security	600 00
Workmens Comp.	300 00
Maine Publicity	50 00

	\$69,794 08
Less State Tax — Available Local Ser.	10,150 00
	<hr/> \$59,644 08

Assessed

County Tax	\$ 2,758 00
State Tax	10,150 00
School Dist. Tax	7,000 00
Overlay	1,657 36

 \$21,565 36

Amount Assessed	<hr/> \$81,209 44
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Rate — \$7.90 per \$100.00

Assessed upon Real and Personal Estates	\$80,489 44
240 Polls at \$3.00 (62 exempt)	720 00

Original Commitment	\$81,209 44
Supplemental Tax	492 12

 Total Commitment \$81,701 56
App. from Excise Tax Funds (3/5/60) xx

Nutting Road	\$1,000 00
Burbank Hill Road	1,000 00
Tarvia and Asphalt	750 00

Cat. Grader Note	\$2,000 00
1959 Ford 600 Acc.	1,350 00
Winter Roads (59-60) overdraft	1,317 38
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	\$7,417 38
xx-assessment not involved	

Real Estate Classified

Land	\$163,145 00
Buildings	659,225 00
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	\$822,370 00

Livestock Taxable

Cattle	\$13,130 00
Fowl (over 50)	150 00
Other Livestock (horses etc)	2,050 00
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	\$15,330 00

Other Personal

Stock in Trade	\$18,900 00
Industrial Stock	7,800 00
Mach. and Equip.	61,605 00
Watercraft	2,180 00
Wood, Lumber, Logs	58,740 00
Fixtures, T.V.'s etc.	29,300 00
Misc.	2,610 00
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	\$181,135 00
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Total Personal	\$196,465 00

Livestock Exempt

Cattle (under 18 mos.)	\$3,950 00
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Veterans And Widows of Veterans - Exempt

1. Assessed Value of Exempt Property	\$42,110 00
2. Tax at 79 mill rate	3,326 69
3. Polls — 9	27 00

4. Total Tax Loss	\$ 3,353 69
5. 1960 Assessment	81,209 44
6. 3% of 1960 Assessment	2,436 28
7. Tax Loss — in excess of 3% (line 4 less line 6)	917 41
8. 70% of Excess Loss (line 7)	642 19
9. Net revenue loss to Town of Strong (4 less 8)	2,711 50

Property Owned by Town

Garage and Lot	\$21,000 00
Garage Equip. and Supplies	2,000 00
School Property	20,000 00
Fire Station and Equip.	6,000 00
Town Safe	200 00
Office Fixtures	700 00
Road Equip. — (tools etc.)	250 00
Ford (1945) — Wings	1,000 00
M. H. Ford (1959) — Wings	8,400 00
Ford (1959) Reg. Drive — Wing	7,800 00
Frink V plow and 2 Frink one way	1,700 00
Sanders (2)	450 00
Cat. Grader	11,000 00
Int. Tractor loader	4,000 00
Ford Fire Truck — new	7,500 00
Ford Fire Truck — old	800 00
Chev. Tank Truck	600 00
Forster Bldg. with Equip.	50,000 00
Hitchcock House	3,000 00
Observation Post (formerly)	100 00
Plow Equip. — (cutting edges, shoes etc.)	800 00

Endowment Fund

Forster Building	\$70,000 00
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Property Acquired through Tax Liens

Lisherness — Land and Buildings — West Freeman Road
Huff Lot on Route #4 — (Devils Elbow)

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ELMER D. BRACKLEY,
ROBERT S. WORTHLEY,
Assessors of Strong

Selectmen's Division

ITEM 3

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Balance 2/1/60	\$ 9,822 11	
Receipts	167,294 67	
		\$177,116 78
Warrants issued	\$166,720 86	
Checks returned	159 00	
		\$166,879 86
Balance 2/1/61		\$ 10,236 92

ITEM 4

SALARY SCHEDULE — TOWN OFFICERS

F. A. Richardson, Sel. (includes \$500. Car Exp.)	\$4,500 00
Elmer D. Brackley, Sel.	185 00
Robert S. Worthley, Sel.	175 00
Deane S. Stevens, Treas.	300 00
Raymond D. Norris, Clerk (\$75. and fees)	90 94
Marvin Timberlake, Tr. Cem. Tr. Funds	25 00
Norman Snell, Tr. M. & S. Fund	5 00
Glendon Brackley, Con.	10 00
Marvin Timberlake, Con.	5 00
Grangie Marden, Fire Chief (pd. from F. D. Acc.)	50 00
D. W. Marsters, M. D. Health Officer	10 00

ITEM 5

TOWN CHARGES

Balance	\$ 145 00
Approp.	1,400 00
State of Maine — Bank Stock Tax	24 68
State of Maine — Porcupine Bounty	6 00

State of Maine — Dog Lic. Refund	\$154 68
State of Maine — R. R. & Tel. Tax	4 07
Costs — 21 liens — Reimbursement	118 90
Licenses	3 00
Misc.	1 00
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	\$1,857 33

Expended

Lewis Drug Store, Supplies, Flags	\$ 38 02
Marks Printing House, Supplies	108 48
Wilton Printed Products, Supplies	10 25
Minnie Blanchard, Registry Fees	19 80
M. A. Timberlake, Fees (paid)	31 00
Sears Roebuck & Co., File Case	76 62
Misc. Services & supplies	55 76
Peoples Nat. Bank, Bank Charges	21 05
Christine Richardson, Typing	25 00
Jones Ins. Agency, Surety Bond	50 00
F. A. Richardson, Postal Charges	14 41
Deane S. Stevens, Postage, Supplies	25 45
Elections	94 20
Somerset Tel. Co.	119 65
Millett, Fish and Dresser, Audit	350 00
Knowlton & McLeary Co., Reports	544 26
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	\$1,583 95
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Balance	\$ 273 38

ITEM 6**FORSTER BUILDING**

Balance 2/1/60	\$6,329 37
Livermore Falls Trust Co., Dividends	3,919 61
Donations, Local	42 50
Donations, Non-Resident	69 00
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	\$10,360 48

Expended

R. & A. Hinds, Janitor	\$1,175 00
Roland Hinds, Janitor	125 00
M. B. Richardson	10 10
Librarians	200 00
Cliffs I.G.A., Supplies	5 92
Starbird Lumber Co. Inc., Supplies	3 78
A. G. Eustis Est., Supplies	8 18
Roland Hinds, Supplies	12 06
Norris Music Shop, Piano	530 00
Strong Water Dist., Service	15 86
Me. Cons. Power Co.	168 78
B. W. Dodge, Insurance	171 98
Currier Ins. Agency, Liability	23 78
S. S. Tax	35
W. Tax	1 05
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	\$2,451 84
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Balance	\$7,908 64

ITEM 7**TOWN OFFICERS**

Approp.	\$5,300 00
Opening graves (F.A.R.)	236 00
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	\$5,536 00

Expended

F. A. Richardson, Sel.	\$3,802 08
Elmer D. Brackley, Sel.	188 18
Robert S. Worthley, Sel.	178 48
Deane S. Stevens, Treas.	291 00
Raymond D. Norris, Clerk	90 94
Raymond D. Norris, Expense	6 40
Misc. Exp., Selectmen	29 00
M. A. Timberlake, Tr. Cem. Tr. Funds	24 25
Norman Snell, Tr. M & S Fund	5 00
Glendon Brackley, Con.	9 70

M. A. Timberlake, Con.	\$ 4 85
Glendon Brackley, Att. Officer	9 70
S. S. Tax	165 53
W. Tax	583 00
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	\$5,388 11
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Balance	\$ 147 89

ITEM 8

TOWN DUMP

Approp.	\$400 00
Expended	
Theron Huff	\$ 27 60
Ivan Richardson	54 22
E. A. Richardson	4 25
Sayward Ellis	4 85
Robert Brackley, Dozer	118 00
Maine Exterminating Service	150 00
S. S. Tax	2 60
W. Tax	11 50
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	\$373 02
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Balance	\$26 98

Note: We have used the Dozer more than in any previous year but the dump road has been virtually blocked much of the time. That condition will exist just as long as most of the rubbish is virtually thrown in the roadway.

We have done some cutting at the new site and with favorable conditions for two days work we would be ready to use the area.

We favor restricted hours for dumping at the new site on two, possibly three days per week, with a man on duty at the time. We advocate rigid control on all rubbish originating outside town limits, or the general area of which this community is the center.

Reasonable rules drawn up in advance will never get off the ground unless they are backed by strict enforcement and public support.

**ITEM 9
SOCIAL SECURITY**

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Employee Contributions	809 07	
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		\$1,409 07

Expended

Me. State Ret. Sys., Joint Contrib.	1,462 23	
Me. State Ret. Sys., Administration	40 00	
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		\$1,502 33

Overdraft	<hr/>	\$ 93 26
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**ITEM 10
WITHHOLDING TAX**

Balance 2/1/60	\$ 11 35	
Employees	910 29	
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		\$921 64

Expended

Dir. of Int. Rev.	\$921 64	
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**ITEM 11
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Appropriation	\$1,650 00	
Town of Phillips, Call	40 00	
Town of Avon, Call	13 00	
Town of Strong, Fire Ext.	38 40	
Harold Haggan, Pump	6 00	
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		\$1,747 40

Expended

Payrolls	\$342 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., Supplies	8 00	
Phils Service Station, Supplies	58 58	
Horn Motors, Supplies	1 50	
Starbird Lumber Co., Inc., Supplies	16 25	
A. G. Eustis Est., Supplies	1 19	
Town of Strong, Equip. Service	58 86	

Blanchard Associates, Fire Equipment	\$273 84
Currier Ins. Agency	533 85
Me. Consolidated Power Co., Main St. Station	12 00
Somerset Tel. Co., Red Net.	315 00
Somerset Tel. Co., Phone Ext.	28 00
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	\$1,649 07

\$98 33

ITEM 12
STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$843 96
Expended	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	\$843 96

ITEM 13
HYDRANTS

Appropriation	\$579 60
Expended	
Strong Water District	\$579 60

ITEM 14
POLICE

Balance	\$94 00
Expended	
M. A. Timberlake, Patrol	\$ 8 00
Winston Beal, Patrol	8 00
Andrew Pratt, Patrol	16 00
Glendon Brackley, Patrol and Traffic Calls	21 94
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	\$53 94

\$40 06

ITEM 15
CIVIL DEFENSE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Balance	\$255 52
Expended	
Lewis Drug Store, Supplies	9 00
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	\$246 52

**ITEM 16
LIBRARY**

Appropriation	\$350 00
State of Maine, Stipend	30 00
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	\$380 00
Expended	
Strong Public Library	\$380 00

**ITEM 17
M. & S. FUND**

N. E. Snell, Treas.	\$25 00
Expended	
Sayward Ellis, Treas. Nazarene Church	\$12 50
Emmonzene Hutchins, Treas. M. E. Church	12 50
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	\$25 00

**ITEM 18
DUTCH ELM DISEASE**

Balance 2/1/60	\$50 00
No expenditures	

Note: This disease made its appearance locally during 1960. Two infected trees, one at Maude Hillier's and one at Henry Scamman's were reported to us by the Forestry Department. We disposed of the Hillier tree without charge to this Account, while Scamman destroyed the tree at the Norton Hill farm.

**ITEM 19
HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

Available (All Sources)	\$81,640 69
Expended	79,669 83
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Balance	\$1,970 83

**ITEM 20
AVON CONVEYANCE**

Available	\$370 00
No expenditures	

**ITEM 21
SCHOOL LUNCH**

Balance 2/1/60	\$189 53	
Appropriation	310 47	
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		\$500 00
Expended		318 60
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Balance		\$181 40

**ITEM 22
MEMORIAL**

Appropriation	\$50 00
No expenditures	

**ITEM 23
MAINE PUBLICITY**

Appropriation	\$50 00
Expended	
Maine Publicity Bureau	\$50 00

**ITEM 24
TOWN PROPERTY — LIEN ACQUIRED**

Raymond Smith — Earl Smith Farm (applies on purchase)	\$195 00
Emma Smith Land, so called, in process of being deeded to Carroll Smith and Andrew Pratt	

Disposition Pending

Lisherness Property on S. A. #5
Huff Lot on State Highway #4 (below Devils Elbow)

**ITEM 25
TOWN DEBT — NOTES PAYABLE**

Payment authorized 3/5/60	
Town Debt	\$3,500 00
Fire Truck	1,000 00
S. A. Construction (Bal. due under Anticip. Pro.)	527 89
Hyd. Equip. Loan	1,304 98
Cat. Grader (Excise)	2,000 00
Ford F 600	1,350 00
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	\$9,682 87

Expended

The Peoples National Bank	\$3,939 86	
The First National Bank	1,218 71	
Rangeley Trust Co.	2,000 00	
Lester R. Lewis	2,500 00	
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		\$9,658 57
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Balance		\$24 30

Recapitulation — Notes 2/1/61

Lisherness Bridge	\$2,500 00	
Grange St. Bridges	3,300 00	
Cat. Grader	1,970 00	
Fire Truck	2,487 73	
Ford F. 600	1,372 60	
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		\$11,630 33

Note: An appropriation of \$1,970. from Excise will retire the Cat. note, while we are asking \$1,372.60 from the same source to eliminate the F. 600 liability. We are limited to \$1,000 payment on Fire Truck Loan, but if this is appropriated together with the Town Debt budget figure of \$3,275.70 (bal. \$24.30) which will cross out the Grange St. Bridge Notes, we will close the 1961 Fiscal Year with only the Lisherness Bridge Note and Fire Truck (balance) still facing us.

ITEM 26**TEMPORARY LOAN**

The Peoples National Bank	\$12,000 00
Expended	
The Peoples National Bank	\$12,000 00

ITEM 27**TAX LIENS — PAID 1960**

Franklin Co. Sav. Bank — '58 — Clayton Hinkley \$	179 73
Geo. and Birdena Knowlan — '58	142 20
Diamond Nat. Corp. — (3) — '52, '53, '54 —	
Owen Mann	17 95
Velma G. Lincoln — '58	7 90
Herbert Spaulding — (4) — '56, '57, '57, '58	289 54

Leon C. & Lelia R. Hardy — '59	\$ 11 70
Leon C. Hardy — '59	165 75
T. L. & T. L. Dickson Jr. — '59 — Owen Moore	15 60
Town of Strong (Escrow Acct.) '58 — Horace McIntire	63 20
Ralph G. Reed Jr. — '59	187 20
Eleanor Ladd — (2) — '58, '59 — Philip Ladd	94 20
Franklin Co. Sav. Bank — '58 — Philip Bunnell	231 08
Franklin Co. Sav. Bank — '58 — Lawrence Gordon	29 11
Kingfield Sav. Bank — '59 — Myrtle I. Beedy	144 30
Horace McIntire — '59	62 40
F. Herbert Spaulding — (8) — 1941-1944	179 52
Earle Brackley — (6) — 1953, '55, '56, '57, '58, '59 (Nora Allen)	1,109 69
C. Oscar Pillsbury	201 45
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	\$3,132 52

**ITEM 28
ESCROW ACCOUNT**

Received Horace McIntire	\$72 92
Expended	
1958 Lien, Interest Charges (D. S. Stevens, Tr.)	\$72 92

**ITEM 29
STATE AND COUNTY TAXES**

State Tax (Assessed)	\$10,150 00
Applied on 1960 Approp.	10,150 00
County Tax (Assessed)	2,758 00
Expended	
County of Franklin	\$2,758 00

**ITEM 30
EXCISE TAX**

Balance 2/1/60	\$3,799 37
1960 Collection (After 2/1/60)	6,905 58
1961 Collection to 2/1/61	782 60
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\$11,487 55

Expended

Marvin Timberlake, Col.	\$158 35	
S. S. Tax	6 08	
Transfer to 1960 Taxes — Trailer taxed personal	7 90	
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		\$172 33
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		\$11,315 22

Approp. — Annual Meeting

Winter Roads Overdraft — 1959	\$1,317 38	
Nutting Road	1,000 00	
Burbank Hill	1,000 00	
Tarvia	750 00	
Cat. Grader Loan	2,000 00	
Ford 600	1,350 00	
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		\$7,417 38
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Balance		\$3,897 84

ITEM 31
1960 TOWN TAX

M. A. Timberlake, Col.	\$75,119 62	
M. A. Timberlake, Col. — Supp. (all years)	492 12	
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		\$75,611 74

ITEM 32
TAXES — PRIOR YEARS

M. A. Timberlake, Col. — 1957	\$ 90 25	
M. A. Timberlake, Col. — 1958	123 08	
M. A. Timberlake, Col. — 1959	2,173 84	
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		\$2,387 17

ITEM 33
COLLECTION OF TAXES

Balance 2/1/60	\$ 63 85	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
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		\$1,063 85

Expended

M. A. Timberlake, Col.

\$983 36

S. S. Tax

59 91

 \$1,043 27

Balance

 \$20 58
ITEM 34**SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX**

Assessed

\$7,000 00

Expended

Winston Beal, Treas. Strong Sch. Dist.

\$7,000 00

ITEM 35**SUPPLEMENTAL TAX**

Assessed

\$492 12

Trans. to Roads and Bridges

\$125 88

Trans. to Winter Roads

258 25

Trans. to Insurance

8 41

Trans. to Nutting Road

20 89

Trans. to Sidewalks

32 30

Trans. to Cemetery

38 12

Trans. to Garage

8 27

 \$492 12
ITEM 36**PRIOR YEARS — NOT ASSESSED**

Available

\$6 00

Trans. to Town Garage

6 00

ITEM 37**INTEREST AND DISCOUNT**

Balance 2/1/60

\$ 32 36

Appropriation

1,600 00

Interest on Liens Paid

402 57

M. A. Toothaker, Col. — on Taxes

276 12

 \$2,311 05

Expended

Interest	\$1,214 05	
Discounts	582 37	
	<hr/>	\$1,796 42
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		\$514 63

**ITEM 38
ABATEMENTS**

Balance 2/1/60	\$96 67	
Appropriation	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$146 67
Abatements		57 20
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		\$89 47

**ITEM 39
OVERLAY**

Assessed	\$1,657 36
Trans., to Roads and Bridges	1,657 36

**ITEM 40
INSURANCE**

Balance 2/1/60	\$ 45 75	
Appropriation	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$195 75
Expended		
B. Warren Dodge	\$105 98	
Eustis Ins. Agency	98 18	
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		\$8 41
Trans. from Supp.		8 41

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Agency	Exp. Date	Amount
Hitchcock House		
Currier Ins. Agency	Jan. 26, 1962	\$2,000 00
Community School, Gym., Equip. Etc.		
Eustis Ins. Agency		\$202,000 00
E. E. Toothaker	1963	25,000 00
B. Warren Dodge	1963	60,000 00
Town Garage		
Currier Ins. Agency	Dec. 6, 1962	\$10,000 00
B. Warren Dodge, Bldg., Equip.	Jan. 18, 1965	7,000 00
Fire Station — Fire Equip.		
Eustis Ins. Agency — (Bldg.) — March 20, 1962 — O		\$1,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency — (Bldg.) — Nov. 13, 1960 — O		1,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency — (Equip.) — March 17, 1963 — X		2,100 00
Eustis Ins. Agency — (Equip.) — Sept. 9, 1963 — X		1,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency — (Equip.) — Sept. 9, 1963 — A		500 00
X — In Public Works Garage		
O — Main St. Station		
A — In Main St. Sta.		
Forster Building		
B. Warren Dodge — Bldg., Equip. — Oct. 30, 1963		\$ 44,000 00
Total Insurance in force		<hr/> \$355,600 00

ITEM 41**CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS**

Trustees Cem. Tr. Funds	\$200 00
Est. of Irving Pottle	150 00
Marguerite Sample	100 00
Oxford T. & T. Co., Dividend	7 80
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	\$457 80

Expended

M. A. Timberlake, Tr. Cem. Tr. Funds (Trusts)	\$450 00
M. A. Timberlake, Tr. Cem. Tr. Sampson Fund	
Dividend	7 80

\$457 80

Note: The Sampson Trust Fund consisting of stock in the Oxford Co. T. & T. Co. has been placed in the hands of the Cemetery Trust Fund Trustees as suggested by Millett, Fish and Dresser. The annual dividend coming to them will presumably be paid the Town for expenditure on the lot located in the Hunter Cemetery near residence of Leon Hardy.

**ITEM 42
CEMETERIES**

Balance	\$ 39 70
Appropriation	600 00
R. & E. Shurtleff, '59 Acct.	52 00
James Espeaignette, Loam	5 00
Opening Graves	51 00
Tr. Cem. Tr. Funds	330 00
Fred C. Boyd, Sr., Lot (partial)	20 00
Sherwood Wyman, Grading Lot	24 25
Madeline Scribner, S. Huff Lot	15 00

\$1,136 95

Unpaid Accounts

Est. of Frank Roberts — Lot (old Sect.)	\$15 00
Diana Ladd Beane Gilman, Lot (new Sect.)	40 00
Birdena Duley, Labor (includes Grave)	41 25
	(pd. 2/4/61)
Fred C. Boyd, Sr., Lot (bal.)	20 00

Expended

E. A. Richardson	\$ 56 84
Theron Huff	191 53
Ivan Richardson	135 75
Andrea Bernard — (Tr. Fund Lots)	306 10

M. B. Richardson — Cem. Storehouse	\$ 24 60
Burchard Allen	15 83
Andrew Pratt — Equip. & Water Service	10 50
Town of Strong — Equip.	129 50
Harold Haggan — Equip.	21 00
Starbird Lumber Co. Inc. — Dozer (Lewis Pit)	44 00
Carter Milling Co. — Fertilizer, Seed	29 20
George Lewis — Loam	42 00
A. G. Eustis Est. — Power Mower & Supplies	83 27
S. S. Tax	15 49
W. Tax	69 46
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	\$1,175 07
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	\$38 12
Trans. from Supp.	38 12

Note: The major project has continued in the old section with the removal of turf and replacing it with loam. It is mostly handwork from the time we start cutting the surface and moving it to and across the fence. Following the same process, in reverse, we get loam from the trucks to the lots where it is needed. Progress is slow but we are making some.

The area worked two years ago has come along very well, has a good stand of grass, and bushes and weeds are easily controlled.

In May we filled any graves needing loam, applied fertilizer and seed and in most cases got a fair stand of grass started.

We purchased a Power Mower and used it in conjunction with the old reliable hand scythe. It worked to good advantage in many areas, particularly in the restored portion of the old section.

We had some work done at the building where we store grave lumber and other material. The work included a badly needed coat of paint.

Many worthwhile proposals have been made relative to future projects, but we feel the work in progress in the old section should have priority, as far as public appropriations are concerned, until such time as that area is made more presentable.

We mowed grass and cleared bushes etc. from the Welch, Cashman, Conant, Hunter (at Hardy's), McCleary (at Bass Hill) Cemeteries and did necessary misc. work.

**ITEM 43
HITCHCOCK HOUSE**

Balance 2/1/60	\$419 52	
Melzor Phillips — Rent	129 00	
		<hr/> \$ 548 52
Expended		
M. A. Timberlake, Col.	\$80 98	
Strong Water Dist.	5 40	
		<hr/> \$86 38
Balance		<hr/> \$462 14

**ITEM 44
WORKMENS COMPENSATION**

Balance 2/1/60	\$ 28 45	
Appropriation	300 00	
		<hr/> \$328 45
Expended		
Currier Ins. Agency	\$396 16	
		<hr/> \$67 71

**ITEM 45
TOWN GARAGE**

Appropriation	\$875 00	
B. W. Dodge — Prem. Red.	64	
Fire Department — Truck Service	5 25	
		<hr/> \$880 89
Expended		
Theron Huff	\$ 9 21	
E. A. Richardson	4 25	
Burchard Allen	34 43	
Ivan Richardson	9 21	
Warren Smith	13 75	
Strong Water District	9 50	
Motor Supply Co. — Supplies	20 13	

A. G. Eustis Est. — Supplies	\$ 96 89
Strong W. T. Corp. — Supplies	15 63
Starbird Lumber Co., Inc. — Supplies	5 90
E. E. Toothaker — Supplies	12 83
C. W. Steele Co. — Fuel and Service	170 50
Me. Cons. Power Co.	101 40
B. W. Dodge — Prem. Adjustment	15 41
S. S. Tax	3 02
W. Tax	13 80
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	\$596 83

Water Service Line

A. G. Eustis Est. — Pipe, fittings, etc.	\$316 34
Blanchard Associates — Fittings	4 83
B. D. Moore Co. — Fittings	4 72
Harold Haggan — Backhoe	70 00
Andrew Pratt — Labor, etc.	38 09
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	\$433 98
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	\$1,030 81
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	\$149 92
Tr. from Supp.	\$8 27
Not assessed	6 00
Tr. — Camp Road	05
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	\$14 32
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	\$135 60

Note: The main expenditure developed from the installation of the new 1.5 inch water service line from School Street. Aside from the added fire protection afforded by the larger water supply, we were able to fill tanks quickly under favorable conditions during the Luce fire and at other times.

At present (Jan. 31) Jack Frost has taken over and there is no water reaching the shut-off. We are Hoping!!

Operational expenditures have not been too far out of line. We have shown gains in both fuel and power accounts, but not enough. We are insisting on 55 degree temperature for the garage except while repairs are being made, or equipment and fire hose are being cleared of ice and dried, following use. Power cost will adjust itself in proportion to the effort made to limit its use to the time when it is needed.

ITEM 46 EQUIPMENT

Balance	\$ 94 95
Appropriation	1,000 00
Town of Eustis	386 40
Town of Farmington	513 00
Town of New Vineyard	678 00
County of Franklin	915 00
Town of Strong	6,924 62
Sugarloaf Corp.	42 00
Forest Frederick	18 00
State of Maine	72 00
Norman E. Jackson	703 97
Strong Water Dist.	103 80
Camille Marquis	100 00
Ella G. Messeder	129 20
Inter Departmental	46 41
Misc. Earnings	343 67

\$12,071 02

Expended

Burchard Allen	\$1,846 23
E. A. Richardson	469 29
Theron Huff	113 68
Ivan Richardson	71 68
Sayward Ellis	11 66
Snows, Tires, Tubes, etc.	673 60
Phils Service Station, Tires, Misc. Sup.	1,341 77
Motor Supply Co., Supplies	298 91
Cy. Barker, Supplies	49 00
Pittsfield Motor Sales, Supplies	47 19
Starbird Lumber Co., Inc., Supplies, Service	167 60
Horn Motors, Supplies, Service	703 02

Pleasant St. Garage, Supplies, Service	\$ 33 10
E. L. Richards, Supplies, Service	181 86
Misc. Accounts, Invoices on file	273 74
E. E. Toothaker, Gas and Oil	1,458 90
Howard Fairfield, Steel Bars, Plow Equip.	385 67
Standard Steel, Steel Bars	243 23
Federal Steel, Steel Bars, Chain	657 97
St. Lawrence Steel, Steel Bars	155 41
Farmington Oil Co., Diesel Oil	95 17
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., Diesel Oil, Misc.	113 23
R. S. Osgood, Tractor Service	741 70
Houghton-Arnold Co., Grader Service	23 04
Automotive Hdwe. Co., Misc. Bolts	298 78
Inter Departmental	147 30
N. E. Petroleum Co., Lubricants	265 34
Currier Ins. Co., Fire, Liability	349 78
S. S. Tax	89 26
W. Tax	406 25
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	\$11,713 36
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	\$ 357 66

NOTE: Under receipts in the detail of this account it will be noted that the bulk of earnings came (1) from Town of Strong, (2) governmental units within the County of Franklin, (3) the County, (4) contractors working in this area and (5) private driveway owners for gravel or fill. Under Misc. Earnings are included a large number, involving only one or two loads, and lumped to save space and cost. Each item was covered by appropriate invoice and in each case Treasurer's Receipt was issued. These were subject to audit.

Men paid under this account included work on Equipment at the garage and the greater sum paid operators on non-Town projects.

We had unusually heavy costs for certain items, tires, for instance. The tractor was re-tired, two were purchased for the Grader, and these "babies" run into money! We had a heavy toll of truck tires, many cut by broken glass bottles thrown on the highway after "the pause that refreshes".

We tied up \$1,440. for cutting edges (steelbars), spare plow parts and special hardened chain. It is impossible to predict conditions for the next two months, but if in any degree favorable, we may emerge on April Fools Day with a fine carry over stock for next season.

We are carrying a complete line of high grade lubricants for all Town owned equipment, being inclined to believe this is the most economical method of reducing maintenance costs.

We have installed a 500 gallon diesel oil tank in the garage yard and that is now included in our inventory.

The Tractor has again been the hardest worked equipment owned by the Town and we are numbered among those who wonder how long it can stand up and "take it".

We pulled the front wheel drive from the "Spirit of 1945" and replaced it with conventional front end. The old truck responded to the treatment and holds her battered nose high in the air. She may yet convince some of us that "Life really does begin at forty!"

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ELMER D. BRACKLEY,
ROBERT S. WORTHLEY,
Selectmen of Strong.

Highway Division

ITEM 47 ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$3,750 00
L. B. Streeter, donation (spent on Streeter Rd.)	60 00
Norman E. Jackson, dynamite	8 00
Accounts (driveway gravel or loam) Treas. rec.	152 60
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	\$3,970 60

Expended

Burchard Allen	\$ 461 49
E. A. Richardson	580 56
Theron Huff	425 12
Ivan Richardson	702 52
Harold Haggan, Backhoe (Vine St. Culvert)	56 00
Phil. Bunnell, Equipment	17 50
Town of Strong, Equipment	1,776 70
A. G. Eustis Est., Supplies	14 03
Phillips Hdwe. Co., Supplies	3 85
George Lewis, 16 yds. gravel	1 60
Laura Walker, 1812 yds. gravel	181 20
Starbird Lumber Co., 153 yds. gravel, plank, dozer	53 70
W. H. Shurtleff Co., Calcium Chloride	407 74
N. E. M. Culvert Co., Pipe Arch Culvert (Vine St.)	575 77
Lucas Tree Expert Co., Roadside Spraying	38 20
S. S. Tax	78 81
W. Tax	379 05
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	\$5,753 84

\$1,783 24

Trans. from Overlay	\$1,657 36
Trans. from Supp.	125 88
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\$1,783 24

NOTE: Work under this activity started on April 12 with trucks moving gravel, while the Grader was used on some of the gravel surface roads. Frost action throughout the town was spotty, but gravel roads came through in good shape. We were less fortunate on dirt roads, particularly Streeters, which was kept open during the snow season by lumbermen. We assume ditches were filled with gravel and dirt by the dozer before the ground became frozen. In any event we were in trouble there by mid-April and the road remained a muddy mess until just before Memorial.

The \$60 donation by "Bill" was a big help as it nearly financed 2 4-yd. trucks hauling gravel for a day (9 hours). We were also forced to limit our loads in order to reach the bad spots, but these conditions are now the exception, rather than the rule, throughout town.

We have had considerable trouble with the road leading from Worthley Hill to the residence of Neil Luce Jr. Using the grader we gained some needed width and better ditches. We followed up by moving 244 yds. of gravel from Walker's and conditions have been much better since.

We removed the old stone culvert on Vine St. near the M. E. Church, and installed a 46 ft. pipe arch culvert 43 x 27 inches costing \$575.77. The expense of removing the old culvert and installing the Arch, together with laying stone headers at each end and finally restoring the tarvia surface, would if added to the initial price top \$900.

The expense will be fully justified if we are able to stop the flooding at that point. A culvert of the size and type installed will carry a high volume of water at full capacity. The big question is whether the water can get under, through, around or over the natural as well as man made barriers on the flat above the intake. The next month or two may provide the answer.

Calcium Chloride was spread on Chandler, Burbank, True Hill, Nutting, Pillsbury and Spaulding Roads and on short branch roads such as Haggan's, Stocky Stevens and Stevens Avenue (rear stores). Our increase in gravel surface and the wisdom of heavier applications point up the necessity of a larger annual appropriation for this item.

We cleared bushes from a considerable mileage and this involved scythe, clippers and axe. The Chandler Road, for instance, is now mainly hand scythe. Burbank calls for considerable clipper work. In addition to the two just mentioned we cleared Pillsbury, Spaulding, Nutting (to end of construction), Church Hill and High St. and a short section on Taylor Hill.

During the season Me. Con. Power Co. and Somerset Tel. Co. did some control work — both manual and spray — along their lines located in the highway right-of-way.

We arranged with Lucas Tree Expert Co. to spray that section of Sky Farm Road between Spaulding Corner and the New Vineyard line. Streeter has a spray program going on his road and future expansion of spray control will hinge mainly on the success of these two projects.

During the past season we had more trouble than usual at spots where lumber was being yarded and loaded at roadside. The use of crawler type tractors on the highways, particularly turning, at these sites, did lots of damage, with entering trucks a close second.

One of the larger operations was at the Dyar lot on the Nutting Road. Faced with a natural swampy condition, the operators went to considerable expense to avoid unnecessary damage to the roadway.

When the rainy season struck conditions went rapidly from bad to worse. On Nov. 21 and 22 we moved 180 yds. of gravel to the site, but were unable to restore the ditches. We estimate an additional 150 yds. will be needed next Spring to complete the work.

In many other instances truckers have filled ditches with bolts or stones in order to back vehicles nearer woodpiles. In 98 cases out of every 100 they drive away without clearing the obstructed ditch and the stage is set for a washed section. Are we too far out of line in suggesting that they have more than a legal obligation to clean the ditches they have blocked?

It was necessary to continue grader work through the first week of December to eliminate potholes which resulted from wet condition of unfrozen gravel surface. Some deplored expense for this work just before snow came to stay, but we get benefit from it all Winter with a better surface to plow and one over which traffic moves with greater safety.

In summary, today's maintenance program demands continuous attention and effort from early April until about December 1st. Such a program is geared to public demand and carries a price tag in excess of the amounts we normally make available. We can make an arbitrary cut-back in maintenance and effect a momentary saving, but in the long run such a policy will prove to have been a costly error.

The public no longer approves pulling mud from roadside to cover existing gravel surface, nor is it too happy when we pull mud in to cover similar material already there. The 1800 yards of gravel used in maintenance during 1960 shows plainly how traffic problems have changed, and with that change the new concept of meeting them.

ITEM 48
TARVIA AND ASPHALT

Balance	\$500 00	
Appropriation	750 00	
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		\$1,250 00
Expended		
Ivan Richardson	\$ 93 83	
Theron Huff	84 95	
Koppers Co. Inc., Tarvia Application	379 20	
C. S. Crosby, 40 yds. sand	4 00	
S. S. Tax	6 52	
W. Tax	31 90	
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		\$600 40
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Balance		\$649 60

NOTE: We entered into an agreement with the Koppers Co. to furnish and apply Tarvia on Worthley Hill between Hartwell Brook and S. A. #2. A transport truck brought 3,400 gallons from Portland to do this job and also to treat some of the yards at Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.

The Forster job, which was difficult to estimate, was done first and required more than anticipated. As a result we ran out of material a short distance above the old Allen place.

We furnished and applied the sand and also removed the excess after the Tarvia had stabilized. This job was done in conjunction with regular road maintenance and the cost was divided as fairly as possible.

While the Worthley Hill job involved only a surface coat, Church Hill, High St. and School St. needed a mulch job. Due to culvert work on Vine, and new water service line across School, we decided to give the excavations a chance to become firmly compact before applying Tarvia.

ITEM 49
STATE HIGHWAY — SNOW REMOVAL

Balance	\$ 40	
Appropriation	266 00	
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		\$266 40

Expended	
State of Maine	\$266 40

ITEM 50
STATE AID — ANTICIPATION

Appropriation	\$1,066 00
Expended	
The Peoples National Bank	527 89
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Balance	\$538 11

ITEM 51
WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	\$6,000 00
State of Maine	1,660 75
School District — Aid sn. re. sch. yard	100 00
Richard Chandler — Snow Fence	9 00
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	\$7,769 75

Expended	
Sayward Ellis	\$ 604 69
E. A. Richardson	901 25
Burchard Allen	763 84
Ivan Richardson	581 86
Theron Huff	551 30
Earl Allen	6 98
Me. Con. Power Co. (Power at Stockpile)	23 15
Spaulding Bros., Rent at Stockpile	50 00
R. E. Mix, 832 yds. Stockpile Sand (loaded)	291 20
W. H. Shurtleff Co., Salt	373 00
Town of Strong, Equipment	3,253 07
W. Tax	503 29
S. S. Tax	124 37
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	\$8,028 00
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Overdraft	\$258 25
Transfer from Supplemental	258 25

NOTE: That part of 1959-60 Snow Removal Season included in this fiscal year was marked by numerous storms and the need of continuous sanding. That is shown by the cost figures in 10 payrolls between Jan. 23, '59 and April 8, '60 which amounted to \$3,530.13.

The storage of snow equipment does not eliminate all payrolls during the off season. The removal of snow fence involves an annual chore which cannot be neglected and accounts for an expenditure of approximately \$100.

When Oct. - Nov. roll along there comes the job of stockpiling sand for Winter use. The 832 yards moved this year, figuring salt, sand, screening and trucking would reach \$1,400. A larger amount will be required next year because we carried three or four hundred yards over from '59 - '60.

Between Nov. 1 and 15 it's snow fence again, the cost running between 3 and 4 hundred dollars, depending upon how much repair work is done on old fence.

Sanding was started on Nov. 29th and normal operation carried on until mid December. The Dec. 17 - Jan. 8 period had two heavy storms complicated by high winds. Fairly heavy plow schedules were required and the yardage of sand applied was at the seasonal average. The same can be said of snow removal from the business district, intersections, and school yard. From Jan. 8 to Jan. 21 (last snow P. R.) conditions were better and the costs, mainly for sanding, were down.

On the whole, traffic has moved over local roads at all hours and without major difficulty.

ITEM 52

WEST SHORE DRIVE — PORTER LAKE

Donations — Property Owners and Others	\$90 00	
Expended — By the Town	89 95	
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		\$ 05
Transfer to Garage		05

NOTE: As indicated, private funds were involved in this project. We placed base gravel from Starbird Pit on sections of the drive between Nutting Road and the Richards-Kingsley spur. This was followed by surface gravel from Walkers.

It is interesting to note that Starbird Lumber Co. Inc. has pushed a dozer road from the Pratt-Jennings turn across Dickey Brook and generally parallel with the shore line, to intercept the Public Beach Road. Traffic between the two roads is scheduled to be blocked at the junction in order to preserve the Drive and the Starbird extension as primarily a private way. However, it should be noted that traffic will move freely from one road to the other in event of forest fire or other emergency.

The Starbird project, while private, is of major public interest since it opens, or will eventually open, about 20 shore lots for development. It is one of the last shore properties in Town available for such development.

It is hoped that some of our people, particularly those of our young and promising business men (no names mentioned) who seem to be taking an interest in shore property or other attractions in more remote sections of Franklin Co. will turn their attention to this new development at Porter Lake.

ITEM 53 HARTWELL BROOK

Available	\$266 95
No expenditures	

ITEM 54 NUTTING ROAD

App. Excise Fund	\$1,000 00
App. Excise Fund (Burbank Hill) trans.	1,000 00
Burbank Hill — 1959 Balance trans.	4 52
N. E. Metal Culvert Co. — Refund	2 30
Camp Owners — Driveway Culvert	30 00
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	\$2,036 82
Expended	
E. A. Richardson	\$172 69
Burchard Allen	101 66
Ivan Richardson	222 04
Theron Huff	226 29
Camille Marquis — Equip.	243 00
Town of Strong — Equip.	673 75
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	128 51

Laura Walker — Surface Gravel (340 yds.)	\$ 34 00
Starbird Lumber Co. Inc. — Base Gravel	
1025 yds.	102 50
S. S. Tax	26 27
W. H. Tax	127 00
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	\$2,057 71
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	\$20 89
Transfer from Supplemental	20 89

NOTE: At the time of the Annual Meeting one year ago the projected highway program called for a 50-50 split of the T.R.I.F. for expenditure on two roads — Burbank Hill and Nutting — supplementing each with an appropriation of \$1,000. from Excise Funds.

Later in the year, in order to avoid the necessity of involving the State of Maine in both projects, we allocated the T.R.I.F. to Burbank Hill, and transferred the Excise Tax appropriation intended for that project to Nutting Road. The net result of the exchange was a \$200 advantage for Burbank Hill.

Work on the Nutting Road followed a familiar pattern involving heavy cutting on right-of-way, rugged dozer work to clear rocks and stumps, and the application of a substantial base to carry the roadway over the bog outlet near West Shore Drive.

We estimated that the dozer placed more than 300 yards where sub-base was needed. Town equipment moved at least 100 yards of rocks to sections where greater strength was required. We moved 1025 yards of straight base from Starbird's Pit at Fuller Corner, and another 340 yards of surface gravel from Walker's.

A new metal culvert was installed to provide drainage of the bog which extends northerly toward Taylor Hill. In conjunction with Camp Owners a culvert was purchased for installation where the Shore Drive leaves the Nutting Road.

We feel confident the new section, approx. 1400 feet in length, and 18 feet in width, will prove adequate for all types of traffic for a long period of time. Those who have chosen to criticize the expenditure of special funds on this road during the last five years have already been proven wrong, because it carries a higher volume of traffic per year than any other rural road in this Town and we could probably add one or two of our accepted S. A. highways to the list.

ITEM 55
T.R.I.F. — BURBANK HILL

Expended

Theron Huff	\$167 42
E. A. Richardson	146 45
Burchard Allen	110 59
Ivan Richardson	180 49
Robert Brackley — Equip.	10 00
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc. — Equip.	30 00
Camille Marquis — Equip.	324 00
Town of Strong — Equip.	735 80
Laura Walker — Gravel (1110 yds.)	111 00
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	284 37
S. S. Tax	21 93
W. Tax	102 50

\$2,224 55

Rec'd from State of Maine

2,224 55

NOTE: This project extended from a point below the Walker buildings up Bingley Hill, a distance of approximately 1400 feet, connecting with the gravel road at residence of Norman Libby.

The section involved has long been a difficult problem for both Summer maintenance and Winter plowing. It has been a heavy drain on annual appropriations for Summer Roads and several special funds have been expended to meet emergency conditions. However, the basic problem of water run-off remained. The hill presented a real challenge to snow removal equipment particularly after one of our traditional North East storms.

One of the major expenditures during the '60 project was for dozer work, which resulted in eliminating the high cut and giving us both greater width and generally better slopes. It enabled us to make a deep fill midway of the hill and establish a more gradual grade. By its use we were able to move several huge elm or maple stumps near the Bingley buildings. The dozer work was made more difficult by the extreme dry condition prevailing which caused the rocks and compacting material to separate.

We installed a coated and paved culvert 40 feet long and 2 feet in diameter in place of the old plank culvert at Bingley's yard. The

diagonal course of the culvert under the roadway, and the fact that it also carries vehicle traffic into the field across the road, account for the length.

We moved 1110 yards of fill and surface from Walker's Pit in addition to several hundred yards moved on the site by the dozer or Town equipment.

We dug a diversion ditch wherever possible to carry water away from the shoulder ditches, and the fact that damage was very light from the Maine Style Hurricane, gives reason to hope we may be able to control the road wash once the base has become compact.

ITEM 56 SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

Approp.	\$200 00	
Strong School Dist.	200 00	
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		\$400 00
Expended		
E. A. Richardson	\$ 71 01	
Burchard Allen	84 58	
Town of Strong, Equip.	292 90	
Strong W. T. Corp., Equip.	35 00	
Laura Walker, 752 yds. gravel	75 20	
S. S. Tax	5 61	
W. Tax	26 00	
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		\$590 30
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		\$190 30

Note: We staked out roughly the area we thought we could grade with the amount available. After the work got underway we discovered that it was taking much more fill along the south side of the grounds to bring it up near level. As a result, instead of using 500 yds. as estimated, we moved 752 yards to cover approximately the same area. Naturally we were caught in an overdraft, but those interested in checking figures will find that the average cost per yard was 78 cents, which included cost of gravel as well as moving and grading it on the grounds. We may fairly conclude that the over expenditure resulted from the greater volume moved, and not from an excessive unit cost.

ITEM 57 SIDEWALKS

Balance	\$142 10	
Approp.	200 00	
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		\$342 10
Expended		
Theron Huff	\$17 76	
Ivan Richardson	8 88	
Town of Strong, Equip.	2 00	
F. B. Stetson and Son, Blue Rock Mix	340 00	
S. S. Tax	96	
W. Tax	4 80	
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		\$374 40
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		\$ 32 30
Transfer from Supplemental		\$ 32 30

Note: The operation under this account included the general cleanup in April.

As usual there was a large amount of sand thrown out in highway plowing and sanding. We also contracted with F. B. Stetson and Son to lay surface of Blue Rock Mix down Depot St. from Main to driveway of Allie Richards. There was some left, so it was used on the steep grade at the Bridge Hill intersection of Main and School Streets.

F. A. RICHARDSON, Chr.

Health and Welfare Division

ITEM 58 TOWN POOR

Balance	\$176 42	
Approp.	200 00	
State of Maine, Gen. Rel. Case 1959	33 44	
Treas. of U. S., Burial (S. S. Case)	119 23	
C. C. & J. F. Holman, Milton Walker Acc.	44 00	
		\$573 09
Expended		
Glendon C. Rowe, transient	\$1 00	
Town of Brunswick, Supp. Assis. to A. D. C. Case	5 75	
Cliffs I. G. A., Settlement not determined	4 27	
		\$ 11 02
Balance		\$562 07

ITEM 59 OTHER TOWN'S POOR

Received		
Town of Kingfield, Case #1	\$46 00	
Town of Farmington, Case #2	34 53	
		\$80 53
Expended		\$80 53

ITEM 60 VETERANS AID

Approp.	\$300 00	
Expended		
Case #1	137 44	
Balance		\$162 56

**ITEM 61
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN**

Balance	\$268 11	
Approp.	600 00	
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		\$868 11
Expended		
State of Maine (18% of grants)		781 92
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Balance		\$ 86 19

**ITEM 62
STATE POOR**

Expended Case #1	\$44 96
Received from State of Maine	44 96

**ITEM 63
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

Balance	\$75 00	
Approp.	75 00	
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		\$150 00
Expended		
State of Maine		75 00
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Balance		\$ 75 00

**ITEM 64
PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM**

Approp.		\$250 00
Expended		
Lewis Rexall Store, Med. Supplies	\$130 12	
Howards Rexall Store, Med. Supplies	29 25	
D. W. Marsters, M. D., Clinics	30 00	
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		\$189 37
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Balance		\$ 60 63

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ELMER D. BRACKLEY,
ROBERT S. WORTHLEY,
Overseers of Poor

ITEM 65

Treasurer's Report**RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

February 1, 1960 thru January 31, 1961

Cash Balance as of the beginning of the fiscal year \$9,822 11

RECEIPTS**Tax Income**

1960	\$75,611 74
1959	2,173 84
1958	123 08
1957	90 25
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	\$77,998 91

Excise Taxes

1961	782 60
1960	6,905 58
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	7,688 18

Tax Liens

1959	852 15
1958	1,148 52
1957	325 33
1956	263 05
1955	197 60
1954	4 00
1953	155 60
1952	6 75
1943	44 00
1942	44 00

1941	\$ 45 76	
1940	45 76	
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		\$3,132 52
Poll Tax — Unassessed		6 00
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Total of Tax Income, Excise Taxes, Tax Liens and Unassessed Polls		\$88,825 61
Forster Memorial Building		
Dividends from Livermore Falls Trust Co.	\$3,919 61	
Contributions from groups and individuals	111 50	
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		\$4,031 11
School Department		
State Subsidies	29,366 55	
Tuitions — Towns, State and Individuals	9,652 66	
Ministerial and School Fund	25 00	
Miscellaneous	162 87	
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		39,207 08

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Winter Roads		
State	\$1,660 75	
Individual	9 00	
School Snow Removal	100 00	
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		1,769 75
Equipment		
Internal	7,054 43	
External	3,915 97	
Refund	5 67	
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		10,976 07

Miscellaneous

State Town Road Improvement	\$2,224 55
Nutting Road	32 30
Roads and Bridges	220 60
Camp Road	90 00
Grading Playground	200 00
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	\$2,767 45

\$15,513 27

Cemetery

Trust Funds	257 80
Operations	422 25
Sale of Lots	75 00
Cemetery Trust Refund	200 00
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955 05

Town Poor

State	78 40
Social Security — Death Claim	119 23
Collected by Attorney Currier Holman	44 00
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241 63

Miscellaneous

Bad Checks Redeemed	\$159 00
Town Owned Property	195 00
Fire Department	97 40
Social Security	809 07
Withholding Taxes	910 29
Victualer Licenses	3 00
McIntire Escrow A/C	72 92
Town Officers (opening graves)	236 00
Bank Stock Tax — 1960	24 68
Public Library — State Stipend	30 00
Dog License Refund	154 68
Hitchcock House Rent	129 00
Porcupine Bounty	6 00
Other Town's Poor	80 53
Ministerial Fund	25 00

Interest	\$678 69
Lien Costs Recovered	119 90
Railroad & Telephone Tax Refund	4 07
Abatements (six)	57 20
Garage	5 89
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	\$3,798 32

Loans

Equipment	2,722 60
Temporary (tax anticipation)	12,000 00
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	14,722 60

Total Receipts	<hr/>	\$167,294 67
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Total Receipts plus starting balance		\$177,116 78
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DISBURSEMENTS

Town Warrants	\$166,720 86
3 Bad Checks returned for insufficient funds	159 00
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	— 166,879 86

Balance as of Jan. 31, 1961	<hr/>	\$ 10,236 92
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DEANE STOCKTON STEVENS, Treasurer*

RECORD OF STRONG'S LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1960-61

(Exclusive of the Strong School District)

Creditor	(a) Outstanding as of 2/1/60	(b) Created	(c) Paid	(d) Balance as of 1/31/61
Peoples National Bank	\$1,304 98		\$1,304 98	0
Peoples National Bank	1,284 88		1,284 88	0
Peoples National Bank		\$2,722 60	1,350 00	\$1,372 60
Rangeley Trust Co.	3,970 00		2,000 00	1,970 00
First National Bank	3,487 73		1,000 00	2,487 73
First National Bank	218 71		218 71	0
L. R. Lewis	2,500 00		2,500 00	0
L. R. Lewis	1,200 00			1,200 00
F. A. & C. M. Richardson	2,500 00			2,500 00
F. A. & C. M. Richardson	1,100 00			1,100 00
Jennie Pratt	1,000 00			1,000 00
Long Term Totals	\$18,566 30	\$ 2,722 60	\$ 9,658 57	\$11,630 33
Peoples National Bank	(Temporary)	12,000 00	12,000 00	0
Note Totals	18,566 30	14,722 60	21,658 57	11,630 33
Proof Totals	A plus B	\$33,288 90	C plus D	\$33,288 90

Note: The net long term debt reduction amounted to \$6,935.97 or approximately .37% of the indebtedness as of the start of the fiscal year.

DEANE S. STEVENS, Treasurer

The Cora and Benjamin Jones Trust Fund

2/1/60 thru 1/31/61

Received from the Trustees of the Benjamin Jones Trust	\$12,300 00
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Principal Invested

Franklin County Savings Bank	\$1,356 89
\$5,000 U. S. A. 4% Treasury Bond due 2/15/80 Purchased 4/16/59	4,971 88
\$4,000 U. S. A. 4¼% Treasury Bonds due 5/15/85	3,980 00
Purchased 4/25/60	
171 Shares of United Income Fund @ \$11.51 per share	1,991 23
Purchased 6/2/60	
	12,300 00

Income

Income balance from investments as of 1/31/60	\$287 68
\$5,000 U. S. A. Bond	\$200 00
\$4,000 U. S. A. Bonds	96 67
United Income Fund	110 72
Franklin County Savings Bank	162 16
	569 55
Total Income	\$857 23

Expenditures

9/7/60 Perley White, agent for Alfred Carlton T-V 21" Swivel Base Motorola Tele- vision, antenna, fixtures and installation on backstage.	\$352 95
11/25/60 Perley White Agent for Alfred Carlton	

T-V Second antenna and installation in teachers room.	\$89 00	
12/27/60 Starbird Lumber Co., Inc. Material to build a cover-all cabinet for the T-V set.	17 68	
	<hr/>	—\$459 63
Income balance as of 1/31/61		<hr/> \$397 60

Recapitulation

Principal Invested	\$12,300 00	
Income on deposit in the Franklin County Savings Bank	397 60	
Capital Gains on Bond Purchases	48 12	
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Note: United Income Fund "Bid Closing Figure" was \$11.61 per share as of 1/31/61. Source — Wall Street Journal.

TRUST PROVISION: *"Two-twenty-sevenths (2/27) to Strong, Maine, High School, to be held in trust by the town treasurer and to be known as the Cora and Benjamin Jones Fund, and the income to be used to buy things for which no provision has been made in the school budget."*

Comments:

a) The Strong High School became the first school in Union 36 to have student T-V courses in mathematics and science. The television is also available to the high school pupils for special events of great importance as well as other educational programs.

b) Thanks to the foresight, wisdom and philanthropy of Cora and Benjamin Jones our young people will continue to enjoy the benefits of the Jones income for years to come, providing, we the citizens, maintain a secondary public institution of learning.

c) Our income for the '61-'62 fiscal year should show a higher yield due to our reinvestments.

Respectfully submitted,

DEANE S. STEVENS, Treasurer

ITEM 66

Report of Tax Collector

1960

Commitment	\$81,209 44
Supplemental	492 12
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	\$81,701 56

Less:

Paid Town Treasurer	\$75,611 74
Abatements	29 63
Transfer from Excise	7 90
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	75,649 27

\$ 6,052 29**Uncollected Resident — 1960**

Abbott, Daniel	\$ 6 70
Asselin, Leo	8 39
Abbott, Donald M.	12 88
Asselin, Walter	3 00
Brackley, Earle M.	157 62
Berry, Ira Jr. and Lillian	56 09
*Burdin, Malcolm	9 88
Bunnell, Phillip	262 68
Brault, Alphonse	72 13
Beedy, Sherburne O.	12 88
Bishop, Muriel	163 93
Bishop, Martin	3 00
Butterfield, Paul	3 00
Bubier, Muriel	9 88
Cole, Harold N.	111 63
Crandall, Charles R.	242 53
Crossett, Arthur L.	512 26
Dunn, Lloyd	8 93
Demming, Frank	12 88
Demming, Roy Jr.	9 88

Essency, Ruth	\$ 55 30
Ellis, Sayward B. & Rebecca J.	424 86
Espeaignnette, James and Yvonne	163 93
Espeaignnette, Alton	12 88
Enman, Guy	12 88
Goodwin, Clarence	12 88
Grindell, Olney	12 88
Kinkley, Clayton	20 94
Hardy, Leon C. and Lelia R.	11 85
Hardy, Leon C.	229 34
Hutchins, Melburne	80 98
Huff, Llewellyn	102 31
Huff, Howard	139 83
Huff, Vinnie	5 14
Howard, Herbert and Marilyn P.	58 30
Knowlan, George and Birdena	157 98
Knowlan, Clarence	77 03
Knowlan, Clinton E. and Gwendolyn	56 00
*Lawry, David	41 45
*Luce, Gladys (Malcolm Burdin)	69 13
Ladd, Alton Jr.	14 85
Leeman, Frederick	11 85
LeBarron, Harry	28 68
Lisherness, Rita	9 88
MacLane, Irene	48 18
Makinen, Clifford	87 93
Mitchell, Arthur H. and Jane M.	88 88
Nile, Philip O. and Roxine	166 93
Neil, Ronald and Mary	206 43
Pillsbury, C. Oscar	228 15
Plummer, Robert S.	134 30
Pinkham, Leslie D.	1 88
Pinkham, Leslie R. and Mary F.	282 43
Phillips, Waylan	9 88
Pillsbury, Paul	3 00
*Richards, Ruth	81 57
Rees, Richard	9 88
*Snell, Chas W.	8 93
*Snell, Charles and Jean	86
Skillings, Chas W.	313 98

Spaulding Herbert	\$144 02
Seavey, Raymond	9 88
Sprague, Arthur	9 88
Stevens, Marshall	3 00
Targett, Hugh	12 88
Witherell, Myron	12 88
Wallace, Roland	139 28
Witham, Lucille	9 88
Witherell, Arthur	3 00
*Paid after 2/1/61	

UNCOLLECTED NON-RESIDENT

Goodwin, Eddie	43 20
Howes, Elmer & Myrtle	90 85
Lincoln, Velma	7 90
Moody, Lillian B.	22 40
Moore, Owen	2 79
Oliver, Earl	5 93
Reed, Ralph G. J.	189 60
Searles, Sherwood	14 63
Gilman, Diana Ladd	118 50
McIntire, Horace	47 28
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\$6,052 29	

UNCOLLECTED 1959 TAXES

Adams, William	28 74
Abbott, Donald M.	17 55
Berry, Ira Jr. and Lillian	12 87
Bunnell, Phillip	38 88
Beedy, Sherburne O.	20 01
Bubier, Muriel	15 60
Cole, Harold N.	9 36
Demming, Roy Jr.	15 60
Espeaignnette, Alton	13 53
Goodwin, Clarence	18 72
Gardiner, Ralph	3 00
Goodwin, Homer	11 70
Huff, Howard	45 24
Knowlan, George and Birdena	18 72

Knowles, Frank	\$16 65
Lovejoy, Warren	19 89
Ladd, Alton Jr.	29 64
Moody, John	3 00
Pillsbury, C. Oscar	30 42
Phillips, Waylan	9 75
Penney, Wallace	10 80
Richard, Lewis	15 60
Smith, Earl	10 41
Sprague, Arthur	19 50
Taylor, Ruth	15 60
Targett, Hugh	5 85
Wallace, Roland	40 95
Witham, Lucille	17 55
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	\$515 13

UNCOLLECTED 1958 TAXES

Adams, William	26 70
Abbott, Donald	16 99
Beedy, Sherburne O.	26 31
Buzzell, Lelie	1 98
Cole, Harold N.	11 85
Davenport, William	15 80
Goodwin, Clarence	16 99
Hutchins, Leonard and Methyl	38 71
Knowles, Frank	10 90
Lisherness, Rita	7 90
Ladd, Alton Jr.	65 97
Richard, Lewis	11 85
Smith, Earl	10 51
Sprague, Arthur	18 80
Witham, Lucille	17 78
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	\$299 04

UNCOLLECTED 1957 TAXES

Berry, Ira and Lillian	9 19
Brackley, Glenn and Ruby	13 86
Beedy, Sherburne O.	22 72

Chick, Fred A. Jr., and Janice A.	\$ 12 63
Cole, Harold N.	3 47
Espeaignnette, Alton	13 40
Goodwin, Clarence	6 56
Hutchins, Leonard and Methyl	37 73
Knowles, Frank	5 78
Lovejoy, Warren	22 64
Lisherness, Rita	7 70
Ladd, Alton Jr.	29 26
Plummer, Robert S.	16 56
Richard, Lewis F.	7 70
Spaulding, Herbert	28 88
Sprague, Arthur	8 47
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	\$246 55

UNCOLLECTED 1956 TAXES

Boyd, Fred C. and Lillian A.	12 45
Beedy, Sherburne O.	16 60
Douglass, William	19 92
Espeaignnette, Alton E.	12 55
Hutchins, Leonard and Methyl	29 70
Moody, John	9 64
Spaulding, Herbert	24 07
Wilbur, Rodney	12 04
McCourt, Mrs. Edward	1 25
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	\$138 22

UNCOLLECTED 1955 TAXES

Chadbourne, Herschell	12 92
Espeaignnette, Alton E.	11 92
Gordon, John O.	3 00
Spencer, Ishmurel	8 70
Walker, Milton	30 36
Lisherness, Howard	10 00
Wallace, Roland	65 71
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	\$142 43

UNCOLLECTED 1954 TAXES

Espeaignnette, Alton E.	\$12 20
Lisherness, Howard	10 00
Smith, Earle	3 80
Urquhart, William	7 80
Williams, Harry	3 80
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	\$37 60

UNCOLLECTED 1953 TAXES .

Leeman, Roland	13 80
Urquhart, William	7 80
Lisherness, Howard	10 00
Smith, Earle	13 80
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	\$45 40

UNCOLLECTED 1952 TAXES

Smith, Earle	8 01
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UNCOLLECTED 1950 TAXES

Smith, Earle	18 58
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UNCOLLECTED 1948 TAXES

Sweetser, Donn	18 90
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UNCOLLECTED 1947 TAXES

Sweetser, Donn	40 71
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1960 ABATEMENTS

Espeaignnette, James	19 75
Harris, John B.	9 88

1958 ABATEMENTS

Durrell, Kenneth	3 00
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1957 ABATEMENTS

Durrell, Edward	14 94
Huff, Vinnie	5 01
Lyons, Robert	4 62

M. A. TIMBERLAKE, Collector.

ITEM 67

Cemetery Trust Funds

Bal. Feb. 1, 1960 — Fr. Cty Sav. Bank	\$ 1,278 99
Mar. 12, 1960 — Rec. from Mass. Inv. Check for fractional part over Capital Gain	1 24
	<hr/> 1,280 23
Mar. 12, 1960 — Refunded Trust Fund turned into town and not accepted by Town meeting March 1960	200 00
	<hr/> 1,080 23
Mar. 12, 1960 — Interest on Bank Book	
Fr. Cty. Sav. Bank	18 51
Apr. 23, 1960 — Dividend Check on Nat. Bond Series	5 32
Apr. 30, 1960 — Dividend Check on Mass. Inv.	177 87
	<hr/> 1,281 93
May 14, 1960 — Purchased 65 Shares @ \$13.55	
Mass. Inv. Trust	880 75
	<hr/> 401 18
July 23, 1960 — Dividend Check on Nat. Bond Series	19 95
July 29, 1960 — Dividend Check on Mass. Inv.	168 20
	<hr/> 589 33
Sept. 1960 — Interest on Bank Book	
Fr. Cty. Sav. Bank	4 53
Oct. 22, 1960 — Dividend on Bond Series	3 99
Oct. 29, 1960 — Rec. from Town of Strong for Pottle Trust Fund	150 00
Oct. 29, 1960 — Dividend Mass. Invest	168 20
Dec. 30, 1960 — Rec. Town of Strong for Fred Taylor Trust	100 00

Dec. 30, 1960 — Dividend Mass. Inves.	\$185 02
Jan. 20, 1961 — Dividend on Nat. Bond Series	7 98
Jan. 20, 1961 — Dividend on Sampson Fund	7 80
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	\$886 85

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. TIMBERLAKE, Treas.

SHARES

Feb. 1, 1960 — Total invested in shares	
1952 shares in M.I.T.	\$12,550 05
133 Shares Nat. Bond Series	897 75
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	\$13,447 80
Feb. 1, 1960 — 25 shares Mass. Inv. Trust,	
Capital gain @ 13.96	349 00
May 5, 1960 — 65 shares M.I.T. @ 13.55	880 75
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Total amt. that has been invested	\$14,677 55

To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens of Strong:

The number of students enrolled in the Strong schools as of February 1, 1960, was 287. The enrollment is as follows:

After all bills were paid we ended the year with a balance of \$1,970.83. This amount was allowed under Teachers' Salaries for sick leave and was not expended. The total amount spent for Education this year was about \$8000 more than last year, because last year the teachers decided that they would take their money on a 24-payment basis. Thus, we withheld about \$5000 out of their pay to pay

them in the summer. This accounts for the lower amount spent in the 1959-60 school year. In the 1960-61 school year we spent that amount we withheld from the teachers, and about \$3000 more for teachers' salaries, as many of our teachers were not on the Minimum State Salary Law as required by the State. This year some teachers will have to receive a raise, and then all teachers will be receiving at least the minimum as required by law. This year the requested appropriation for schools is \$42,956.17. This is a sharp increase over the appropriation last year. The reasons for this increase are:

1. A decrease in the foundation program because fewer students are enrolled in elementary school. The high school is about the same, around 70 students. Therefore, no increase in state subsidy to help defray the increased cost of Education.

2. The number of tuition students from Avon and New Vineyard has decreased, thus we will receive about a thousand dollars less in tuition money. This will have to come from the taxpayers.

3. The foundation program for high school students is set for small schools at \$241 per pupil. This is about half of what it costs the taxpayers of Strong for each high school pupil. Therefore, all the money we spend on secondary pupils above \$241 must come from the taxpayers.

4. The increase of \$2500 in your Budget over last year's is caused by increased teachers' salaries, \$500 more for transportation and \$1500 for a Music Supervisor.

Therefore, because of the increased cost of Education and the lack of an increase in state subsidy we are forced to ask the taxpayers to raise and appropriate more money for support of their schools.

This year we built book closets in each room and removed all books from the supply room. We installed a ventilating fan in the supply room as required by the school lunch inspector. This room is now used to store school lunch supplies.

Mrs. Hilda Spencer and Mrs. Lillian Berry are the cooks in the Lunch Program this year. They should be commended for their work, as this is not an easy task.

In closing, I would like to thank the School Committee and the Citizens of Strong for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MERTON L. SMITH,

Superintendent of Schools.

ITEM 69

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 28, 1961

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance		\$ 8,974 61
Appropriation		33,459 00
Interest, M. & S. Fund		25 00
State Subsidy:		
General Purpose Aid	\$28,991 00	
Prof'l Credits	150 00	
Driver Education	209 76	
Phys. Handicapped	15 79	
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		29,366 55
Tuition:		
State, Freeman (H. S.)	\$2,801 26	
Freeman (Elem)	3,100 00	
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		5,901 26
Avon (H. S.)	874 59	
Avon (Elem)	1,879 84	
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		2,754 43
New Vineyard (H. S.)	648 00	
Eustis	340 97	
Nickerson	8 00	
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		9,652 66
Miscel.:		
Use of Gym, \$79; Tel. tolls, \$22.74;		
Supplies, \$19.15; Rebate on ins., \$32.68;		
RHS, damages, \$9.30		
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		162 87
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		\$81,640 69

EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 3,276 26
Teachers, H. S.	23,264 11
Teachers, Elem.	32,713 76
Textbooks	1,595 37
Supplies	1,929 72
Miscel. Expenses of Instruction	60 00
Health	200 00
Transportation	5,426 92
Janitors	3,783 50
Janitors' Supplies	1,070 08
Fuel	3,744 40
Utilities	1,206 13
Replacement of Equipment	487 84
Insurance, Building	884 50
Insurance, Tchr. Liabil.	27 27
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	\$79,669 86
Unexpended Balance	<hr/> \$ 1,970 83

SPECIAL AVON CONVEYANCE

Unexpended	\$370 00
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SCHOOL LUNCH

Unexpended, Jan. 1960	\$189 53
Appropriation	310 47
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	\$500 00
Expended	\$318 60
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Unexpended Balance	\$181 40

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES**Administration**

Merton L. Smith, Superintendent	\$2,083 19
Ernest Smith, School Committee	25 00
Virgil Lambert, School Committee	25 00
Robert Worthley, School Committee	25 00
Vera V. Wing, Union 36 Sec'y.	1,118 07
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	\$3,276 26

Teachers, H. S.

Lawrence L. Dorr	\$5,691 79
Arthur H. Mitchell	4,691 71
Reta T. Cook	2,112 50
Eleanor C. Snow	1,833 37
Raymond E. Buxton, Jr.	4,500 00
Alfred C. Richard	2,058 42
Lloyd W. Davidson	1,879 24
Reta T. Cook (Sub.)	80 04
Amanda Hinds (Sub.)	95 04
Flora Shaw (Sub.)	56 00
Ethelyn DeSandre (Sub.)	20 00
Arline Curtis (Sub.)	8 00
Lawrence L. Dorr (Pr. Cr. & $\frac{1}{2}$ ttn.)	140 00
Lloyd W. Davidson (Pr. Cr & $\frac{1}{2}$ ttn.)	98 00

 \$23,264 11
Teachers, Elementary

Amanda B. Hinds	\$1,513 40
Reta T. Cook	648 64
Reta T. Cook (Sub.)	133 40
Christie V. Pingree	3,391 74
Arline M. Curtis	1,604 24
Glenda K. Worthley	3,337 66
Marguerite L. Norris	3,337 66
Eva Jane Eustis	3,337 66
Marion B. Peary	3,537 58
Dorothy N. Scamman	3,337 66
Helen R. Heald	3,313 66
Ellsworth M. Crocker	2,112 50
Carmen E. Crocker	1,972 08
Ruth V. Lewis	692 01
Hilda W. Steward	75 00
Ethelyn DeSandre (for Phys. Handic.)	57 75
Arline Curtis (Sub.)	60 00
Amanda Hinds (Sub.)	21 12
Ethelyn DeSandre (Sub.)	40 00

Flora Shaw (Sub.)	\$32 00
Olive Thompson (Sub.)	8 00
Ruth V. Lewis ($\frac{1}{2}$ ttn.)	79 00
Dorothy N. Scamman (Prof. Cr. & $\frac{1}{2}$ ttn.)	71 00

\$32,713 76

Textbooks

Ginn and Company	\$550 61
Scott, Foresman & Co.	182 76
American Book Company	150 70
McGraw-Hill Company	87 11
World Book Company	75 94
Laidlaw Brothers	46 99
South-Western Publishing Co.	67 34
McKnight & McKnight	49 76
Row, Peterson & Co.	44 61
Addison-Wesley Publ. Co.	38 31
Webster Publishing Co.	27 74
Bond Wheelwright Co.	16 39
Grosset & Dunlap	14 05
Silver Burdett Co.	13 53
Prentice-Hall Co.	10 38
L. W. Singer Co.	14 27
Readers Digest Services	10 64
Berry Paper Company	7 90
Putnam's Sons & J. Day Co.	6 29
Allyn and Bacon, Inc.	4 74
The Continental Press	6 92
Van Nostrand Co.	4 59
The John C. Winston Co.	1 08
Simon & Schuster, Inc.	6 04
Bobbs-Merrill Co.	2 09
R. Bryant (for Continental)	9 60
Benefic Press	3 49
Edward B. Hutchinson	2 13
Carl Fischer Co.	1 50
Charles Scribner's Sons	3 10
Cascade Paper Co.	4 25
Grade Teacher	1 00

Mainco Trading Co.	\$ 5 03
Loring, Short & Harmon	3 16
Yale Univ., Sch. Math. Study Group	4 50
Loring, Short & Harmon	6 75
R. C. A. Service Co.	4 80
The MacMillan Company	6 18
The Arlo Publ. Co.	3 75
Holt, Rinehard & Winston	5 79
Little, Brown & Co. (H. S. Library)	21 64
Fred L. Tower Co. (H. S. Library)	20 60
Life Magazine (H. S. Library)	9 45
Doubleday & Company (H. S. Library)	7 59
The Chemical Rubber Co. (H. S. Library)	6 79
Charles Scribner's Sons (H. S. Library)	6 21
Harcourt, Brace & Co. (H. S. Library)	5 25
J. B. Lippincott Co. (H. S. Library)	5 01
Bobbs-Merrill Co. (H. S. Library)	4 96
The MacMillan Co. (H. S. Library)	2 06

\$1,595 37

Supplies

J. L. Hammett Company	\$626 33
Kinney Company	160 47
Northern Supply Co.	67 00
World Book Company	94 14
Milton Bradley Co.	43 27
Phillips Print Shop	38 85
Berry Paper Company	19 45
M. N. Perkins Company	15 26
The Red Store, Inc.	15 57
Strong High School	13 28
E. C. McGraw	15 59
The Continental Press	11 70
B. D. Moore Co.	10 80
Charles F. Thompson, Jr.	21 06
Glendon Brackley	10 00
Amanda Hinds	9 63
The Nation's Schools	6 00
Wilfred McLeary Co.	5 67

Town of Phillips	\$ 5 60
Cascade Paper Company	3 22
Treasurer, State of Maine	2 50
Mainco Trading Co.	2 16
Starbird Company	1 20
Starbird Lumber Co. (Ind. Arts)	226 28
A. G. Eustis Estate (Ind. Arts)	125 81
J. L. Hammett Co. (Ind. Arts)	92 81
Lewiston Welding Co. (Ind. Arts)	6 39
Cambosco Scientific Co. (H. S. Lab.)	192 36
B. D. Moore Company (H. S. Lab.)	2 47
Midtown Store (Driver Ed.)	56 00
Raymond Buxton (Driver Ed.)	15 00
Horn Motors (Driver Ed.)	8 35
Phil's Station (Driver Ed.)	5 50
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	\$1,929 72

Miscellaneous Expenses for Instruction

Stan Foulke Typewriter Service	\$60 00
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Health

D. W. Marsters, M. D. (School Physician)	\$200 00
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Transportation

Glendon Brackley (Wages)	\$ 22 56
Virgil Starbird (Contracted Serv.)	3,256 00
Mrs. Ernest Smith (Contracted Serv.)	1,616 90
State of Maine (Contracted Serv.)	360 00
J. Blaine Morrison Agency (Insurance)	171 46
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	\$5,426 92

Janitors

Glendon R. Brackley	\$3,088 00
Arthur H. Mitchell	426 00
Harold Beedy	208 00
Strong Wood Turning Corp.	21 00

Forster Company	\$17 00
Starbird Company	14 00
Harold Haggan	7 50
Dept. of Labor & Industry	2 00
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	\$3,783 50

Janitors Supplies

M. F. Bragdon Company	\$192 99
J. I. Holcomb Co., Inc.	156 15
A. G. Eustis Estate	173 40
Sani-Clean Distributors	137 84
The Pioneer Mfg. Co.	132 64
Starbird Company	141 23
Herman's Door Serv. Co.	47 92
Harry E. Nason	29 95
Virgil Lambert	24 68
Probert's Market	19 76
New England Door Closer Co.	7 57
I.G.A. Store	3 80
Masury-Young Co.	2 15
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	\$1,070 08

Fuel

Richards' Socony Station	\$3,744 40
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Utilities

Maine Consolidated Power Co.	\$919 80
Somerset Telephone Co.	122 20
Strong Water District	110 50
B. D. Moore Metered Gas	53 63
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	\$1,206 13

Replacement of Equipment

Kinney Duplicator Co. (Instructional)	\$314 65
Remington Rand Company (Instructional)	140 00
Remington Rand Company (Non-Instr.)	33 19
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	\$487 84

Bldg. Insurance

Eustis Insurance Co.	\$552 70	
B. W. Dodge (Patrons Mutual)	226 80	
E. E Toothaker	105 00	
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		\$884 50

Liability Ins.

J. Blaine Morrison Agency	27 27
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SCHOOL LUNCH ACCT.

Edward Bradbury	\$155 00	
John Sexton & Co.	95 25	
Town of Strong (S. S.)	46 85	
B. D. Moore Metered Gas	21 50	
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		\$318 60

1960**STRONG HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND****Founded by Cora Allen Jones**

On hand February 1, 1960, 52 shares National Preferred Stock Series.	
On deposit Feb. 1, 1960, Franklin County Savings Bank	\$ 83 98
February 15, 1960, Received dividend check	\$5 20
May 15, 1960, Received dividend check	6 24
August 15, 1960, Received dividend check	5 20
November 15, 1960, Received dividend check	5 20
Interest to September 1950	2 79
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	\$24 63
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Total of dividend and interest Feb. 1, 1961	\$108 61

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE EUSTIS,

Treasurer.

EXPENSES STRONG SCHOOL LUNCH 1960-61

Miriam Lisherness	\$267 24
Lulu Cook	265 54
Phyllis Brackley	88 60
Hilda Spencer	336 78
Lillian Berry	306 78
Junior Class	10 00
Norman Snell	10 00
J. J. Newberry	3 41
Probert's Market	140 96
Henry Scamman	10 00
Cliff's I.G.A.	85 84
Pillsbury's Dairy	2,238 28
Chisholm Fruit Co.	91 62
Norman Jones	576 47
Dave Lawry	3 53
B. & E. Motor Express	115 72
John Gravelin	6 65
John J. Nissen Baking Co.	121 36
A. G. Eustis Est.	37 96
John Sexton Co.	1,038 90
National Biscuit Co.	50 08
Chester Wing	6 00
Carvill Confectionery Co.	21 00
Rangeley Trust Co.	75
Town of Strong	
Withholding Tax	288 40
Social Security	47 47
Revelo Warren	33 00
B. D. Moore Gas Service	56 71
Lawrence Cook	28 06

 \$6,286 78

STRONG SCHOOL LUNCH

Balance on Hand Feb. 1, 1960		\$130 03
Income: State	\$1,604 22	
Children	4,247 72	
Other (adults, Avon)	423 79	
Total	\$6,275 73	
Cash Available		\$6,405 76
Expenses:	6,286 78	
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1961		118 98

Meals Served:

Children 20,947

Free 1,560

Adults 1,029

ITEM 70

Town Clerk's Report

DEATHS — STRONG, FREEMAN AND SALEM

1960

- Jan. 9 — At Portland, Maine, Edna Mary Wills, aged 77 years.
Jan. 19 — At Farmington, Maine, Alton Clark Ellsworth aged 64 years.
Jan. 21 — At Farmington, Maine, F. Otto Nile, aged 67 years.
Feb. 10 — At Farmington, Maine, Grace Amelia Gilkey, aged 74 years.
Feb. 14 — At Lewiston, Maine, Harry Albert Duley, aged 55 years.
Feb. 21 — At Farmington, Maine, Mary E. Tague, aged 74 years.
Mar. 11 — At Lewiston, Maine, Laura V. Dodge, aged 69 years.
Apr. 20 — At Strong, Maine, Colon Lincoln Dyar, aged 53 years.
Apr. 21 — At Avon, Maine, Harry Hunter, aged 83 years.
Apr. 28 — At Farmington, Maine, Harriette Angeline Smith, aged 73 years.
May 4 — At Lewiston, Maine, Otis Elbridge Marson, aged 67 years.
May 16 — At Old Orchard Beach, Maine, Bessie A. Bowie, aged 82 years.
June 3 — At West Kingfield, Maine, Leon Elroy Smith, aged 70 years.
June 22 — At Strong, Maine, Diah Sweet, aged 87 years.
July 23 — At Freeman, Maine, Susan Lillian Lake, aged 78 years.
Aug. 3 — At Farmington, Maine, Marie W. Savage, aged 73 years.
Aug. 10 — At Farmington, Maine, Clarissa Hester Vining, aged 67 years.
Sept. 16 — At Phillips, Maine, Charles Edwin Howard, aged 80 years.
Sept. 20 — At Augusta, Maine, Jessie Snell, aged 77 years.
Sept. 27 — At Portland, Maine, Alice Smith Brown, aged 81 years.
Nov. 16 — At Farmington, Maine, Mary Emma Boyd, aged 57 years.
Nov. 30 — At Augusta, Maine, Dexter Kempton, aged 90 years.
Dec. 8 — At Strong, Maine, Ethelyn Thelma Anderson, aged 49 years.
Dec. 10 — At Freeman, Maine, Myrtice Ione Cook, aged 56 years.
Dec. 21 — At Strong, Maine, June Dawn Dodge, aged 54 years.
Dec. 24 — At Farmington, Maine, Amanda Bourque Hinds, aged 68 years.

R. D. NORRIS

Town Clerk, Strong, Maine

ITEM 71

Report of Fire Chief

This has been another very good year for the Town, thanks to the residents.

I had a chimney cleaner in town last Fall, and many property owners had their chimneys cleaned at that time.

We had no bad fires, only one grass fire and no woods fires.

We had the pump on the old Fire Truck overhauled for woods fires or other emergencies.

I want to thank you all for being very careful with fires and asking for Fire Permits in the fire season.

We answered the following calls the past year:

Lucile Witham, Chimney Fire	3- 1-60
Harry Lovejoy, Chimney Fire	3- 3-60
Roy Haines, Chimney Fire	4- 9-60
Roy Haines, Chimney Fire	4-19-60
Theodore Bates, Chimney Fire	5-13-60
Dump Fire	9- 9-60
Virginia Wood, Chimney Fire	9- 5-60
Cincinnati Field, Grass Fire	9-10-60
Dump Fire	10- 9-60
Ruth Kershner, Chimney Fire	10-10-60
John Gorden House, Chimney Fire	12- 2-60
Wilson Neil, Chimney Fire	12-10-60
Roy Deming, Chimney Fire	12-11-60
Alva Chick, Chimney Fire	12-13-60
Laura Walker, Chimney Fire	12-20-60
Kershner House, Chimney Fire	12-29-60

Out of Town Fires

Cecil Lisherness, Freeman, Car Fire	2- 3-60
Erlon Richardson, Avon, Chimney Fire	2- 8-60
Phillips Upper Village, Phillips, House Fire	2-10-60

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. MARDEN, Fire Chief.

ITEM 72

Strong Public Library**Receipts**

Feb. 1, 1960	Brought forward	\$111 39	
Feb. 15, 1960	Sale of Books	9 53	
Feb. 15, 1960	Gift from Mary Davis	50 00	
May 5, 1960	Deposit from Petty Cash and Dues	99 43	
Aug. 20, 1960	Town of Strong	350 00	
Aug. 20, 1960	State Stipend	30 00	
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			\$650 35

Disbursements

Feb. 1, 1960 to Feb. 1, 1961 Entirely for purchase of Books	336 53	
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Balance on hand	\$313 82	

Petty Cash at Desk

Feb. 1, 1960	Brought forward	\$33 66	
	Fines for year	39 18	
	Sale of Books	4 25	
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			\$77 09

Disbursements

Feb. 1, 1960 to Feb. 1, 1961	72 13	
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	\$ 4 96	

ELIZABETH M. STARBIRD, Treas.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Circulation	
Fiction	4858
Non-Fiction	213
Magazines	249
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Total circulation	5230
 New Books	
Adult	99
Children	96
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Total	195
 Books lost	4
Books discarded	20

The Annual Edition of Americana Encyclopedia has been added to the Set which was purchased in 1959.

MARION E. EUSTIS, Librarian

ITEM 73**STRONG SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For financial detail refer to Audit Report of Millett, Fish and Dresser (Item 76 B).

ITEM 74

Report of Health Officer and School Physician

Another year has gone by and seen the usual school physical examinations carried out and immunization against polio, lockjaw, whooping cough, diphtheria and smallpox given to those pupils whose parents signed consent slips.

In many states it is mandatory to have these shots or you don't go to school. We in Maine seem to feel our personal liberties are being trampled if our children are "made" to submit to such things. Perhaps there is a parallel in the squabbles which have arisen concerning flag saluting and Bible reading in school.

The protagonists and antagonists in the medical field in regard to smallpox vaccination were recalled some years ago by Dr. Victor Heiser in his "American Doctor's Odyssey." He related that there used to be many doctors in the Pacific area who didn't believe in vaccination. Most of those were dead at that time, however, cause of death, smallpox.

Respectfully,

D. W. MARSTERS, M. D.

ITEM 75

Annual Report of Public Health Nursing Services

IN STRONG FOR THE YEAR 1960

Public health, in simple terms, is the sum total of the health of individuals and families living in a community. An organized program for public health is one that offers those individuals and families every possible chance of living and enjoying life, free from handicaps of preventable disease and disability. In more formal terms, the objective of a public health program is to bring to all the people the benefits of modern medical and related sciences including the care and rehabilitation of the sick and disabled, the promotion of healthful living, and the prevention and control of disease.

A number of people are involved in the attaining of this objective. All together they make up a "health team". The public health nurse is an essential member of this team. She shares in planning and action with other workers in the fields of health, education, and welfare; with physicians, hospitals, clinics; with school personnel; with citizen groups. One of her important functions is coordination with the others involved to provide public health services to individuals, families, and community. Citizens of the community are also essential members of the health team. Alert to the health needs of their community, taking their share of responsibility to meet these needs, their contribution as health workers is indispensable to the effectiveness of the public health program. A vital, dynamic, working "health team" in the local community strengthens the public health not only of that community, but also of the State and the Nation.

Three monthly child health conferences were held in the spring. The 61 infants and preschool children who were brought to the conferences were given physical check-ups by the doctor and received their immunizations against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lockjaw), whooping cough and smallpox.

In the fall the children in junior primary grades 1, 4, 7 and 11 were given physical examinations by the doctor. One hundred and twenty-eight children were seen at this time. The routine immunizations were offered to all children in the spring and 159 inoculations were given at the request of the parents.

Home visits have been made wherever indicated and it is hoped that whenever the need arises all individuals will feel free to call upon the nurse.

It is a pleasure to work among the people of Franklin County and I thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL H. BARKER, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

Audit

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 1, 1961, and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorizations. In our opinion, the appended statements fairly present, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 1, 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

By R. M. Millett, C. P. A.

Dated: February 13, 1961
Portland, Maine

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	Feb. 1, 1961	Feb. 1, 1960
INVESTED IN SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:		
Cemetery Funds	\$ 886 85	\$1,278 99
Church — Hitchcock	249 52	241 05
Church — Babbitt	113 68	109 83
Ministerial and School Fund	324 82	308 79
Cora and Benjamin Jones Fund	1,754 49	7,615 80
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	\$3,329 36	\$9,554 46

SECURITIES:

	Feb. 1, 1961	Feb. 1, 1960
Massachusetts Investors Trust —		
1,682 Shs.	\$12,400 31	\$11,559 56
National Bond Series — 133 Shs.	897 75	897 75
U. S. Treasury Bonds	2,000 00	2,000 00
U. S. Treasury Bonds 4% Due 2/15/80	5,000 00	5,000 00
U. S. Treasury Bonds 4¼% Due 75-85	4,000 00	
United Income Fund — 173 Shs.	1,987 01	
Oxford County Tel. & Tel. Co. — 26 Shs.	-0-	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$29,654 43	\$29,011 77

LIABILITIES**TRUST FUNDS:**

Cemetery Trust Funds	\$14,224 91	\$13,736 30
E. K. Hitchcock — Methodist Episcopal Church		
Fund	113 68	109 83
E. K. Hitchcock — Congregational Church		
Fund	135 84	131 22
Babbitt Fund — Methodist Church	113 68	109 83
Ministerial and School Fund	2,324 82	2,308 79
Cora and Benjamin Jones Fund	12,741 50	12,615 80
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$29,654 43	\$29,011 77

TOWN OF STRONG, MAINE
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	February 1, 1961	February 1, 1960
Cash	\$10,236 92	\$ 9,822 11

UNCOLLECTED TAXES:

1960	\$6,052 29	
1959	515 13	\$4,493 05
1958	299 04	425 12
1957	246 55	361 37
1956	138 22	138 22
1955	142 43	142 43
1954	19 60	19 60

	February 1, 1961	February 1, 1960
1953	\$45 40	\$45 40
1952	8 01	8 01
1950	18 58	18 58
1948	18 90	18 90
1947	40 71	40 71
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	7,544 86	5,711 39

UNCOLLECTED TAX LIENS

1959	\$ 948 93	
1958	351 17	\$1,499 69
1957	222 51	547 84
1956	85 08	348 13
1955		197 60
1954	102 00	106 00
1953	52 00	207 60
1952	16 88	23 63
1951	14 60	14 60
1950	13 30	13 30
Prior		179 52
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	1,806 47	3,137 91

TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

28 96

DEFERRED APPROPRIATIONS:

Bridge Account	\$3,300 00	\$3,300 00
Lisherness Bridge	2,500 00	2,500 00
Town Garage		4,003 59
Grader	1,970 00	3,970 00
New Fire Truck	2,487 73	3,487 73
New Truck — 1958		1,304 98
New Truck — 1959	1,372 60	2,722 69
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	11,630 33	21,288 90

OVERDRAFTS:

Winter Roads		\$1,317 38
Social Security	\$ 93 26	131 03
Fire Department		54 96
Public Health Program		56 18

	February 1, 1961	February 1, 1960
School Playground	\$190 30	\$271 90
Workmen's Compensation	67 71	
Town Garage Operations	135 60	
	<hr/> 486 87	<hr/> 1,831 45
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> \$31,705 45	<hr/> \$41,820 72
LIABILITIES		
Notes Payable	\$11,630 33	\$18,566 30
Withholding Taxes		11 35
Deferred Credits:		
Excise Taxes	\$3,897 84	\$3,799 37
Cemetery Trust Funds	7 80	7 80
Advance Payments		3 00
	<hr/> 3,905 64	<hr/> 3,810 17

UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS:

Town Officers	\$ 147 89	
Town Charges	273 38	\$ 145 00
Collection of Taxes	20 58	63 85
Abatements	89 47	96 67
Forster Building	7,908 64	6,329 37
Fire Department	98 33	
Police Services	40 06	94 00
Care of Dump	26 98	
Public Nurse	75 00	75 00
Public Health Program	60 63	
State High. — Snow Removal		40
Sidewalks		142 10
State Aid Construction	538 11	
Town Roads — Tarvia	649 60	500 00
Hartwell Flat Brook	266 95	266 95
Burbank Hill		4 52
Equipment Operations	357 66	94 95
Town Poor	562 07	176 42
Aid to Dependent Children	86 19	268 11
Veterans Aid	162 56	
Elem. & Secondary Schools	1,970 83	8,974 61

	February 1, 1961	February 1, 1960
Avon Conveyance	\$370 00	\$370 00
School Lunch	181 40	189 53
Memorial Day	50 00	
Hitchcock House	462 14	419 52
Insurance		45 75
Civilian Defense	246 52	255 52
Workmen's Compensation		28 45
Dutch Elm Disease	50 00	50 00
Cemeteries — Operations		39 70
Debt Reduction	24 30	
Interest and Discount	514 63	32 36
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	15,233 92	18,662 78
GENERAL REVENUE SURPLUS	935 56	770 12
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$31,705 45	\$41,820 72
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AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Town of Strong School District for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1961, and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by properly authorized vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

By R. M. Millett, C. P. A.

Dated: February 13, 1961
Portland, Maine

**TOWN OF STRONG SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

ASSETS

Cash on Deposit	\$ 2,094 39
Net Bonded Debt	75,000 00
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$77,094 39
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LIABILITIES

Unexpended Town Appropriation	\$ 746 50
Unexpended Building Fund	1,347 89
Bonds Payable	75,000 00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$77,094 39
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**TOWN OF STRONG SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANALYSIS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

Cash Balance, February 2, 1960	\$2,456 49
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RECEIPTS:

Town Appropriation	7,000 00
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	9,456 49

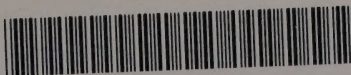
DISBURSEMENTS:

Retirement of Bonds	\$5,000 00
Interest on Bonds	2,000 00
Treasurer's Salary	15 00
Audit	25 00
Snow Removal	100 00
Grading Playground	200 00
Basketball Equipment	22 10
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Cash Balance, February 1, 1961	7,362 10
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	\$2,094 39
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